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Brick of Raw Chocolate Mistaken for Hash

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

**Haliburton Locals Ron Obadia and Nadine Artemis
Outraged at Being Labeled As Drug Traffickers**

This story of unfair treatment while attempting to cross the border is a tale of fear, uncertainty, outrage, drug-sniffing dogs and aggressive interrogation tactics.

Ron Obadia and Nadine Artemis are a happily married couple with a 15-month old son named Leif. For the past two years, the three have lived together in a home on a small lake just a few minutes outside of the Village of Haliburton.

Both Ron and Nadine have gone out of their way to lead healthy lifestyles by consuming super foods and other products you won't find at the local grocer. In fact, Nadine claims that she hasn't eaten a morsel of processed food for the past 18 years.

"We make the food as an alternative to processed food," said Obadia.

The two are founders of Living Libations, a beauty care and natural food company. Lately, the items they've chosen to carry with them while going to the States on business have landed them in hot water, not once, but twice.

In a recent interview with *The Voice* from

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Ron Obadia and Nadine Artemis with their 15-month old son Leif and the brick of chocolate that border guards mistook for hash.

Wilberforce Medical Centre Threatened with Closure

"We're still reeling from the decision!"
(Cheryl Kennedy)

Liz Danielsen
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The Highlands East Council may have been a bit hasty with one of their recent decisions. Believing that the Medical Centre in Wilberforce was both underserved and underutilized, Council asked staff to issue an eviction notice to the Haliburton Family Medical Centre. The reaction was immediate and it quickly became apparent that their decision may not have been based on fact.

The building called the Monmouth Family Medical Centre was purchased approximately 26 years ago by the Municipality and has served as a medical centre since that time. In more recent years the building has also provided office space to the Wilberforce and Area Community Police and Council plans to ensure that space will be made available for them in one of the municipal facilities

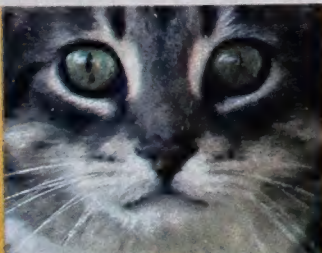
once plans have been finalized.

One of the primary reasons for the decision is to accommodate the local library. Earlier this year, during the forums about community libraries throughout the County, a number of deficiencies were identified in the Monmouth Library. Renovations were also needed to make the building barrier free. Given the estimated cost of over \$25,000 to make the improvements, plans instead were made by Council to move the library over to the Medical Centre building. Proceeds from the sale of the old library building are intended to cover the costs of any alterations needed to accommodate the library in its new space. When the initial decision was made to relocate the library, Council planned to retain offices in the building for ongoing visits by Medical Centre personnel.

The decision to issue an eviction notice was made during a closed session after the regular Council meeting on September 23rd. It's interesting to note that at the same time Council

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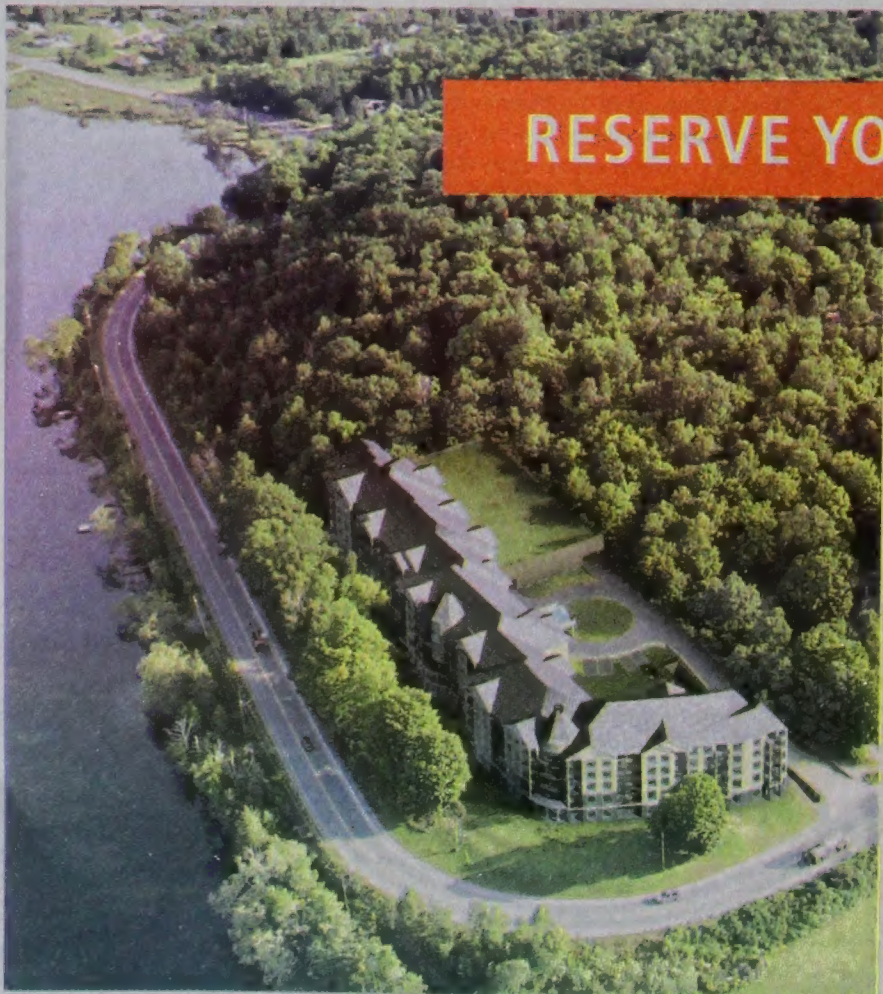
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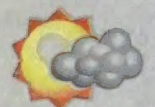
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Vancouver	10/4/sh	12/4/su	12/4/su	13/6/sh	13/8/sh	14/8/sh	14/9/ra
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Mon.	7:28 a.m./6:32 p.m.	5:40 p.m./6:00 a.m.
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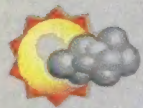
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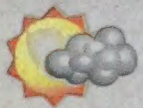
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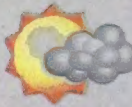
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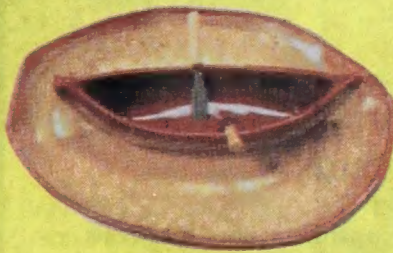
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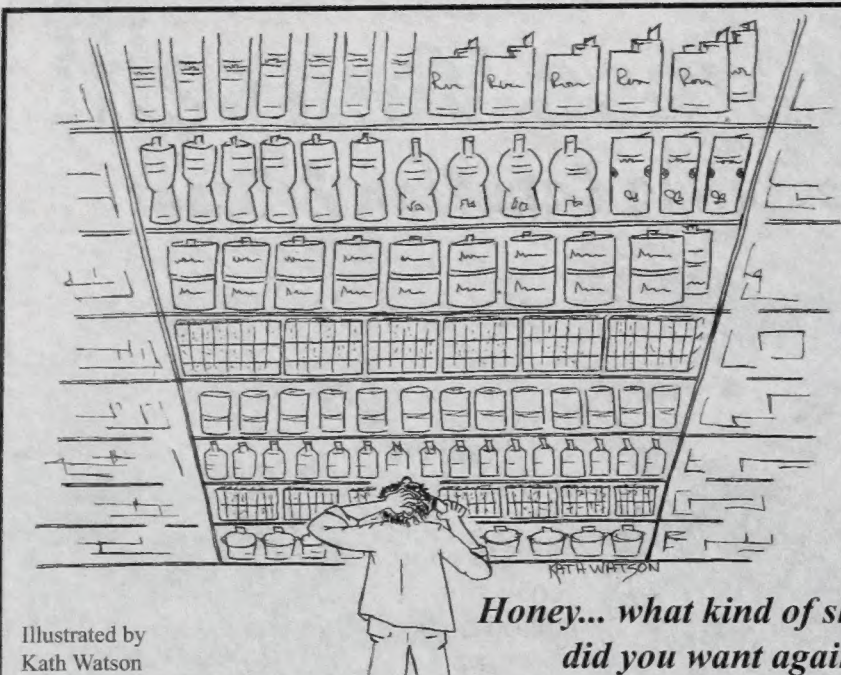
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*Honey... what kind of shampoo
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Letter of the Week

Dear Editor:

"For many the choice becomes fill your car, or fill your propane tank."

The carbon tax put forward by the Liberal and Green parties would add 13 cents per litre to the price of gas and increase domestic fuel bills. Both parties have stated that a main goal of the tax is to get people to use alternative forms of transportation. In rural areas such as Haliburton County, there is no such alternative.

There are no bus routes and, with a few exceptions, people live outside walking or biking range of their work and cannot easily 'car pool'. A 13 cent per litre price jump in pump prices is not a real factor for people on large incomes such as \$100,000 per year.

For people on low or fixed incomes, high gas pump prices, heating oil prices, propane and electrical prices make up a major part of their monthly budget. For many the choice becomes fill your car or fill your propane tank. The tax, therefore, becomes a tax on low and moderate income households, especially in rural areas.

The only long term direction for world energy prices is up. Add to this the gouging done by the oil companies and it becomes obvious that people need relief, not more pressure on their budgets.

Green alternatives can be given but time has to be allowed for them to become more affordable for mid and low income families. This will happen as these alternatives become 'main stream' and as today's new fuel efficient vehicles become tomorrow's used vehicles.

There are many approaches that can be taken to save the environment: some of these also help the economy. A tax that unfairly burdens low and middle income rural Canadians is not the way to go.

Paul Reng
Minden Book and Stationery. ■

Dear Editor:

"She will be supporting Stephane Dion's 21st century vision for Canada."

This election is about Harper's agenda for Canada, not Devolin's (Conservative MP Barry Devolin) passport clinics. Mr. Devolin is running on his record – "a job review" is how he describes this election. Devolin is studiously avoiding taking any responsibility for Harper's agenda. BUT it is Stephen Harper's job review as well!

Unfortunately, in this riding, a vote for the Greens or the NDP is a vote for Harper. The only way we can effectively show our opposition to Harper's agenda is to elect the Liberal candidate, Marlene White. That way there will be one fewer vote for Harper's agenda.

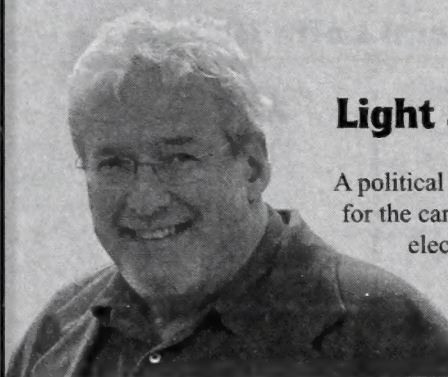
As our MP, Marlene White has promised to continue and expand the constituency work of Devolin. Most importantly, she will also be supporting Stephane Dion's 21st century vision for Canada.

Jeremy Carver
Woodview
VP Policy Chair, HKLB Federal Liberal EDA. ■

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EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

by Stephen Patrick



The Last Lap Light at the End of the Tunnel

A political campaign is a long and demanding race, for the candidates, the volunteers, and even for the electorate. Haliburton – Kawartha Lakes – Brock encompasses a lot of territory, going west almost to Orillia, east to Apsley, south to Cavan – Millbrook Townships, and north to Algonquin Park. The candidates need to be constantly on the road, despite the fact that

almost half the votes are in Lindsay and surroundings. But woe betide the candidate who neglects the hundreds of small centres that dot the riding.

If you believe the polls, and given their increasing sophistication it's hard not to, the electorate seems in no mood to hand a definite majority to the Conservatives, at least not just yet. However, another solid minority seems assured, with the Liberals, New Democrats, and even the Greens bickering over second and third place. One local political observer, a Conservative, asked me this week why this election somehow felt so different than any of the last four or five, and why was it seemed so hard to figure out the electorate's mood.

My take was that this was the first election in almost three quarters of a century, perhaps more, wherein the Conservatives, both Party and Leader, have acted like, and been perceived as, the Ruling Party. Since 1935 we've had, besides Stephen Harper, essentially just two Conservative Prime Ministers, John Diefenbaker and Brian Mulroney. Dief, as befits a great defence lawyer, and a Western outsider, was congenitally more suited to an Opposition role than to that of Prime Minister. Even with a huge majority, he governed as if there were evil Grits hiding behind every Ottawa lamp post (he may even have been right) just waiting for a chance to mug him. Mulroney, working man, glad handed slick, world class schmooze, seemed to be permanently in campaign mode, shoring up alliances and working the phones daily with his political buddies. Even when he too won a huge second term majority, he continued to govern as if he were in some kind of bunker. When his political skills failed him miserably as he lost the Battle of Meech Lake, the country was left to wonder whether any of his Liberal predecessors would have been so inept. And after his eight-year interregnum, the Liberals swept back, wielding power as if they'd never left.

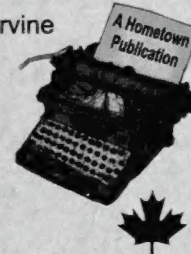
But Stephen Harper is a very different proposition, folks. Granted, he faces the luxury of a federal Liberal Party that's disorganized, fractious, and bitter – I've never, even during the awkward Turner years, heard so many Liberals diss their Leader. This Liberal dissension, sowed during the Chretien-Martin wars, has produced a Party that seems years away from deserving the gift of power. The NDP is slowly inching towards parity, at least in votes if not seats, with the Liberals, and the Greens are clearly poised to make a significant jump in support. All of which has left the Conservatives to claim that promised land of the electoral centre-right as their own.

I talked with almost all the candidates this week as they headed into the final stretch, and asked them about what they were hearing on the doorsteps and in the eight debates they have attended. Their replies were similar: the economy, the environment, the arts, and leadership were the common themes. The party lines on these issues are still important. But Harper and the Conservatives, despite some major campaign blunders, continue to float along, seemingly secure in the comforting, if dull, embrace of Canada's middle class, middle-of-the-road voters.

Which is just what the Liberals did through so many elections for so many decades. Our political landscape may have undergone an immense change – and next Tuesday, October 14th, may signal just how permanent that change will be. ■

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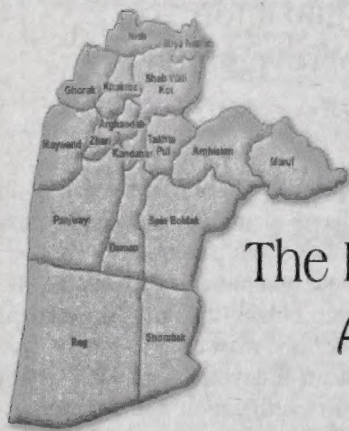
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The Road to Kandahar *A Soldier's Journal*

by Captain David Beatty



"Just Another Turkey Dinner"

With Thanksgiving almost upon us, most people begin to think about turkey dinners with all the trimmings. Family and friends getting together to spend time, eat a good meal and have a few drinks. For many of the cottage owners, it is time to take the last boat ride around the lake and put the boats up for the winter. For others it is marks the point at which you finally realize that "deer hunt" is almost here (which you forgot to buy your tag). In Kandahar Air force Base, it marks, well, just another day.

As Thanksgiving falls on a Monday, it will mean turkey for supper in the Mess (turkey is always served on Mondays). To date we have had, turkey loaf, turkey stew, turkey neck, turkey thigh and the all time favourite, turkey in gravy). To fully appreciate the meals in KAF, imagine the Dysart



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In KAF there are three main kitchens – the North American kitchen, aptly named NIAGARA, the international kitchen-LUXEMBURG and the UK kitchen – CAMBRIDGE. You are free to eat at any of

the dining facilities which tend to cater to the home audience (UK Mess – great curry, Niagara – burgers and fries, Luxemburg – all sorts of grey meat). In my case, I tend to eat at the mess which is closest (except for Sundays which are the mandatory pancakes and bacon from the North American mess). Regardless of the meal, they are all essentially the same, cafeteria feeding at its finest. Where else can you have a diet coke with your eggs for breakfast?

Around the camp, several people are wondering, what they will serve for Thanksgiving? Will they go all out and have some turkey dish, that actually looks (and tastes) like turkey? What about pumpkin pie? Will my body armour still fit if I eat too much and get "turkey belly"? These are questions which only time will tell. What I do know is that we are going to lay in an extra few boxes of beer and wait to see who (or what) drops by.

On behalf of all the soldiers, sailors and airmen serving here in Afghanistan, I would like to wish all the readers a happy Thanksgiving. ■

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Answer _____

PH.D. LEVEL

7. What host team won soccer's World Cup in 1998?
Answer _____
8. Which sport does not allow you to play left-handed?
Answer _____
9. In what sport could a match be decided using the Duckworth-Lewis method?
Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Boxing. 2. Yellow. 3. Motor racing. 4. Table tennis. 5. Mexico. 6. Eighteen inches. 7. France. 8. Polo. 9. Cricket.

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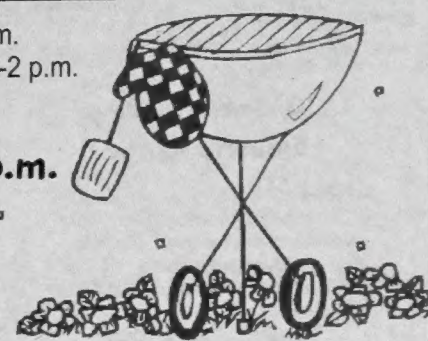
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More Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I'm writing this in response to the article in your September 25th issue of the Voice concerning the Watercolours condo development and the appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) by a community group.

The Watercolours development is in the beginning stages of approvals. To date it has only received a conditional zoning approval which allows them to progress their planning of the development subject to further approvals. The July 7th, 2008 public meeting was part of the public process under the Planning Act and is intended to allow for community consultation and input at the Municipal level to ensure that relevant planning issues are taken into account and satisfactory solutions negotiated with the developer. If a reasonable solution satisfactory to all parties cannot be reached, the matter may be referred to the OMB for a decision or mediated settlement. It is meant to be taken as a last resort after all efforts to reach a satisfactory solution at the local level have been exhausted.

The potential problem with the process is that it allows for appeals to the OMB for a mere fee of \$125, which may encourage persons with personal or non-planning 'like-to-have' issues to delay or even derail a project. I hope this is not the case with the Haliburton Condo Concern (HCC) group.

Of further concern to me is what is reported in the rest of the article.

The HCC group is reported as saying that "it is their

"Are they intending to make themselves into a form of vigilante council to oversee and oppose or approve proposed developments?"

hope to evolve into a larger form of community watch". Are they intending to make themselves into a form of vigilante council to oversee and oppose or approve proposed developments? Don't we already have a council of representatives ELECTED by our community whose job is to do exactly that?

To me, an additional self-appointed "community watch" group reeks of negativism, obstructionism, and NIMBYism, not of realistic solutions for the benefit of the whole community.

Next we have the side swipe aimed at the Chair of the July 7th, 2008 public meeting. This is totally uncalled for as in my opinion the Chair was only attempting to ensure that discussion was focused on the purpose of the meeting, i.e. the overall scope of the proposed development and the rezoning application, not the nitty gritty possible options under the by-law, as interesting as they might be. Requirements pertaining to these details will come later in the process from various government ministries.

Further, we find out Ms. Mack "is concerned" that most of the local (non-waterfront) seniors will be unable to afford units in the price range now being quoted by this developer. That may or may not be so, but this developer must feel that his proposed product and price range will prove attractive enough to sufficient buyers to support the investment risk he must take to build the facility. I think the local seniors are quite capable of determining their own level of affordability and will make that decision on their own. Their decisions will determine if this developer has made a correct decision or not. However, the more hoops he must jump through, the more delays he is forced to take, can only drive his price up and may result in the project failing.

To put a positive spin on Ms. Mack's affordability observation: she may have identified a second market opportunity (local non-waterfront seniors) for a condo housing development in our community. Perhaps the HCC group could refocus their efforts and risk their money developing a project for this market. In it they could incorporate their "vision for a development with terraced design and gold standard certification for leadership in energy and Environmental Design", as they see it.

Finally, I'm concerned and puzzled by the following statement in your article: "Mack and Foster both agreed that there is a market for ageing-in-place senior's accommodation. However, they point to the need to maintain a delicate balance so that a growing population of seniors does not create problems ... already a problem in other communities such as Bobcaygeon".

What are they suggesting? That Haliburton seniors, when they reach some specified age, say 70, be rounded up and shipped off to some other community to keep us from creating problems here in Haliburton? Might this be why Mack, Foster, and the others at the HCC appear to be doing everything possible to frustrate and delay the Watercolours project?

Sincerely
Don Dunsmore
Haliburton

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Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to the article "Minden Kin Club Wins Top National Award"

Firstly, a HUGE round of applause and KUDOS to the Minden Kin Club for winning such a prestigious award.

As CASC's Director, Series Scrutineer and PMSC Organizer for the Magnum Ice Race Series, as well as the wife of a competitor who is eagerly anticipating his 11th season of ice racing, I have had the privilege of forming close friendships with many of the members of the Minden Kin Club. Their dedication not only to their club and community but also to our sport sets them apart as some of the most kind, generous and selfless people I know.

Most competitors often only see the end result of the endless time and effort that goes into making our track.

This award is well deserved and this article sheds light and makes us truly appreciate just how much the Kin Club and other volunteers sacrifice of their personal time so that we may enjoy ourselves for 6 weekends each winter.

Once again, CONGRATULATIONS to ALL of the Minden Kin Club members for simply being the absolute BEST of the BEST at what you do!

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More Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

"He would have sent troops to Iraq to help ... George W. Bush."

Leadership seems to be the issue for many people in this election. Stephen Harper's record speaks for itself.

When he was leader of the National Citizens' Coalition, he wanted to isolate Alberta from the rest of the country so that it wouldn't have to share its oil wealth. When he was leader of the Alliance, he made a deal with Peter MacKay and as soon as possible shunted him out of the way.

He would have sent troops to Iraq to help his counterpart, George W. Bush. He refused to honour our Kyoto commitment, as did George W. Bush. He believes in the same free market economic policies as George W. Bush.

He has cut government oversight of our food processing industry. He has cut funding to the arts portion of the Arts and Culture ministry. He wants the head of that ministry to decide what artistic projects are worthy of grants. He buried that bill in a mass of other bills, to hide it. The same trick was tried with another bill that would make it necessary for us to obtain a prescription to buy vitamin pills or other health products not produced by multi-national corporations.

He bullied his way through the last parliament, muzzling his members and refusing to speak to the press much of the time. No one wanted an election, so he got most of what he wanted. Was this really a dysfunctional parliament? He harped on the need for fixed election dates, got the law passed and as soon as he saw favourable polls, broke his own law to call an election.

Is this really the leader you want?

Pat Brezina
Minden. ■

Dear Editor:

Stanhope Airport: The beginning of the end?

The vast majority of pilots using Stanhope have indicated that the existing airport is great "just the way it is". The real risk in building the \$3.4 million airport vanity project (Phase 1) is the greatly increased annual expenses the bigger airport will incur for additional maintenance, ploughing, lawn and tree cutting, staffing etc. As we have recently seen in both Orillia and Lindsay, large annual losses at local airports ultimately face possible closing in light of higher priority needs. With finite tax dollars and the relatively few people airports serve, councils usually end up chopping.

Algonquin Highland Council's enthusiasm is misguided, especially in light of current world economic meltdown. The sure way to permanently close the Stanhope airport is to increase its annual losses and this expansion will do just that. Unfortunately council may waste millions of dollars which otherwise could have been invested in salvaging roads, Internet access, health care, low income housing or lower taxes.

Bigger losses will be the end of what was a "nice little airport".

Napier Simpson,
Stanhope. ■

Wilberforce Medical Centre Threatened with Closure

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decided to release a limited amount of information about their organizational review completed earlier in the year. For some time the Council has been discussing the best utilization of their facilities and one of the recommendations included in the organizational review is to carefully consider an evaluation of municipal properties which are widespread given amalgamation. However, one of the problems associated with making the decision behind closed doors is that the details of Council's discussion cannot be made public.

What is apparent is that Council deemed the Medical Centre to be underutilized and, according to CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig the space is urgently needed for other municipal purposes. Thus, the decision was made to ask the Haliburton Family Medical Centre to vacate by November 5th.

Notices were quickly prepared by the Medical Centre advising the public of their plans to vacate the premises and making arrangements for patients to book their appointments in Haliburton. According to Reeve Dave Burton, the Medical Centre is very disappointed with Council's decision.

When approached about the eviction notice, Burton said that the decision had been made given the best information available to them which suggested that, despite a desperate need for medical service, the facility was underutilized. Burton said that he had received a number of complaints from residents that they were not getting the service that they expected.

Like many rural communities, Highlands East has been seeking an 'underserved' designation and according to Burton, statistics suggest that two doctors are needed in the area. Burton also says that, despite the request being made almost two years ago, the application for this designation has not yet been submitted to the Province by the Health Centre.

Burton also said that he felt Highlands East had been left out and is poorly serviced. He said that for some time he has been working with the Medical Centre in attempts to improve things. Having said this, Burton also admitted that there was an obvious lack of communication between the Municipality and the Health Centre as they have since advised him that three doctors and two nurse practitioners have been making regular visits to the community.

Discussions with Cheryl Kennedy, Office Administrator for the Family Medical Centre confirmed that three physicians (Drs. Heyes, Armstrong and Coles) and a Nurse Practitioner had been making regular visits to Wilberforce. Kennedy even said that the day Council made their decision on the eviction, she had been looking forward to calling the Municipality to let them know that there would be a fourth physician joining them in the Spring, ensuring weekly physician visits to the community. Kennedy did



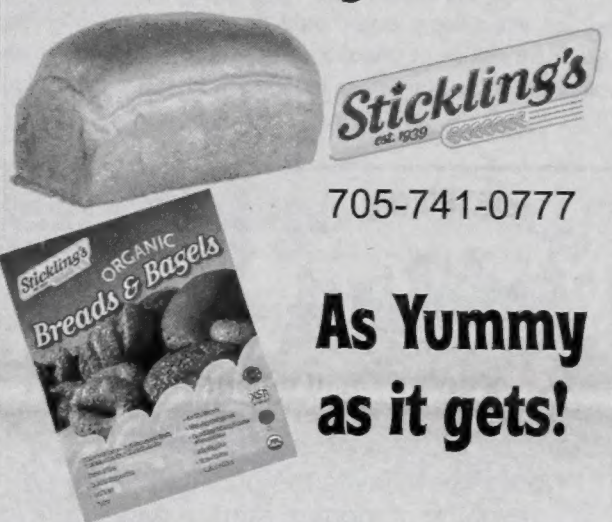
confirm that visits over the summer months had not been as frequent.

Kennedy also said that she had provided Reeve Burton with a listing of all of the people who had been making visits to Wilberforce, including physicians and a number of professionals from the Family Health Team including mental health care, chronic care managers, social workers, pharmacists, Point in Time and hearing services. In addition a nurse educator had been visiting the community and holding group sessions. She added that the Nurse Practitioner had been taking on new patients.

When asked if the Medical Centre would be looking into alternate accommodations in Wilberforce, Kennedy said that they were still reeling from the decision and had not yet had an opportunity to sit down, review the situation a discuss what approach they would take to move forward.

Discussions between Highlands East and the Medical Centre are ongoing, and Burton indicated that the Council may rethink their position on the matter. ■

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Community Growth and Fire Prevention

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

Is Dysart's Fire Fighting Equipment adequate for Condo Developments?

The week of October 5th to 11th is Fire Prevention Week in most communities across North America and this year the official fire prevention theme is Preventing Home Fires. That also happens to be the very goal of the Haliburton Condo Concern (HCC) when it comes to the proposed development, Watercolours of Haliburton. The HCC group says that the Watercolours Condominium will be a large imposing structure that could present Dysart et al with real challenges in a number of service areas.

HCC believes that by approving, in concept, a structure which far exceeds the maximum allowable height in the R3 zone, a number of red flags are raised.

The group contends that the reports required by Council from the developer could have and should have been available for review by the community prior to Council passing the by-law exemption. In discussions with the municipal planner, HCC understands that the developer would have to comply with the recommendations of the various reports. Nevertheless, the by-law exemption would stand unchanged in the books to potentially serve as an unwelcome and unnecessary precedent.

Does the community have the capability of physically putting out a fire if one should break out in the building? Are there sufficient resources to evacuate a population who may have limitations when it comes to mobility, particularly

when there is only one entrance for vehicles planned into and out of the property? Can a fire on the roof of the building be reached when existing firefighting equipment does not include a ladder of sufficient length to allow a directed water

Code, they will be able to deal adequately with a fire of any magnitude.

When speaking about existing firefighting equipment, according to Mack and Foster, Council has had to make a hard decision that at this time, community safety is not sufficiently compromised to justify the cost (in excess of \$750,000) of a fire truck with a ladder of adequate length. According to HCC another condominium project of similar magnitude may bring things to the point where Council will feel it must acquire equipment to handle the specific needs of taller structures.

HCC also asks if the development would bring Council to the point of establishing a surcharge for firefighting in multi-storey structures. If that was the case the more affluent members of Haliburton society will have a building that ends up imposing surcharges or increased taxes on the whole community.

Mack is also concerned with adequate sources of water, not only for firefighting purposes, but for the continued use of the residents of the condominium. The developer is proposing to use well water rather than lake water to meet the needs of Watercolours. HCC is very concerned about the availability of well water in adequate supply to meet the needs of Watercolours without harming the supply to its neighbours. Drawing water from the lake would eliminate that concern.

When the issue of sufficient water sources was raised with Reeve Murray Fearrey, he pointed out that there is a dry hydrant in Head Lake which is more than adequate for firefighting purposes. In addition there is a reserve water storage tank. Fearrey was confident that, supported by the requirements of both the building and fire codes, the fire department is more than capable of handling a fire at the condominium if they were called to do so.

Fearrey was reluctant to speak in too much detail given the approaching OMB hearing, but he did say, "This is considered to be a draft approval. There is a very rigid process in place that requires peer review of all the necessary reports by independent professionals." Fearrey also said that the public will be made well aware of the results of the studies when they are completed and emphasized that "the process being followed was to ensure the best interests of the community as a whole."

"The Ontario Building Code is very strict and it must be followed." He also spoke of provincial policies that require municipalities to move towards putting density into the more built up areas thereby reducing rural sprawl which is harder to service. "An emphasis will be placed on taking that direction during our upcoming County (and Municipal) planning process." Fearrey also reminded the Voice that there are other buildings in the community higher than the height proposed for Watercolours, adding that they don't have the

benefit of sprinkler systems.

"We'll continue to do what we believe is in the best interest of the greatest number of people in the community. I believe that this development is in the community's best interests, but there will be no shortcuts taken throughout the process," he said.

He also said, "One of the things needed here is a greater level of trust by all interested parties." ■

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flow down onto a specific hot spot? Are there sufficient sources of water in the area readily available, especially in winter, to fight a fire of this magnitude?

Clarification on the matter of height as it relates to the number of stories is difficult. The building height has been approved at 22.3 metres, which is determined from the average height of the building from front to back. The building is classified as being four storeys high despite its apparent five floors. Since 10 feet is the typical height of a storey, the 22.3 metres (or 73') could actually accommodate a seven storey building. How much of the height will be below grade is not yet clear. Fire regulations change dramatically once a building is six or more stories high. A question remains unanswered as to whether or not the condominium should be built based on the regulations for four stories, or for something higher.

According to HCC's research, and discussions with Dysart Fire Chief Miles Maughan, if you assume that adequate fire walls, self-closures on doors, and sprinklers will exist in every room, a fire can be restricted to one portion of the building. Water would be delivered to the location of the fire once a connection is made between the pump on the fire truck and the internal sprinkler system to draw water from the basement cistern.

A roof fire would be more difficult to address as there would be no sprinkler system or firewalls there. Delivering water down onto the roof or rescuing people from the top portion of the building could be made more difficult by the lack of a vehicle with a ladder of sufficient length. Access would have to be done internally through stairways and hatches and these can become cumbersome or even blocked.

Alison Mack and Stephen Foster (speaking for HCC) maintain that access to the property by emergency vehicles, would be best achieved if there was entry to the property from two points, something that is not part of the current design.

This fact notwithstanding, Fire Chief Miles Maughan says that the experience his firefighters have in responding to fires on narrow private cottage roads will serve them well in facing this challenge. In fact, Maughan maintains that if Watercolours is built in accordance with the Building



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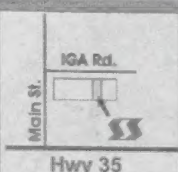
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Brick of Raw Chocolate Mistaken for Hash

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their home, the couple shared their story about how what should have been a simple trip ended up turning into a nightmare.

The fiasco all began on August 3, when the pair had their first unpleasant encounter with the law as they were attempting to fly to Minnesota from Toronto's Pearson International Airport.

"We were on a trip to the United States to do some consulting," explained Artemis. "We were in the airport and were moved to another room by customs to have everything inspected."

In their luggage, both had packed all of their own food including a two-and-a-half pound brick of raw, homemade organic chocolate that is infused with unrefined and unprocessed cacao, maca root, hemp seeds and goji berries.

"They were looking through our stuff and they saw that I have a lot of botanical extracts and toiletries," said Artemis who is a botanical formulator. "We had an unusual bag in a way, because there's not even a bag of Crest toothpaste in there. We make our own toothpaste."

At first, the customs officials didn't act like anything was out of the ordinary.

"They said, 'These aren't strange things. We can see that you're just holistic,'" said Artemis.

The inspection then quickly turned sour even after they were reassured that everything was ok.

"Someone came in and wheeled our stuff away, dogs came in, scales came in and we couldn't see what was going on, only what was coming in," she explained.

"The whole thing was so surreal," recalled Obadia. "It was almost like being in one of those cops and capers clown cartoons. The cops were coming in, then this whole SWAT team of dogs came in and a guy popped out with this taser like gun."

Artemis said that after repeatedly being asked about the ingredients in their chocolate, a NIK narcotic test was conducted on the brick to determine whether or not what they were carrying contained a controlled substance.

"A couple of hours went by until they (customs officials) pulled us aside and told us that they had found residues of narcotics in our stuff and they'd have to turn us over to the RCMP," she said. "We were just totally dumbfounded."

Once RCMP arrived on the scene, they separated Ron and Nadine, read them their rights and handcuffed them.

The couple said that the most difficult part of the entire ordeal came when officers removed their son Leif from their possession.

"They removed Leif from Ron," said Artemis. "He had never been separated from us," added Obadia. "We've chosen to live a lifestyle of attachment parenting, which is when you carry your baby and you grow that foundation."

After being promised that they'd receive their baby back within an hour, both were escorted out of the airport, in cuffs, and placed in a police car.

"Then we were taken to an airport terminal jail cell and we were separated," said Artemis. "Then they came in, very dramatically, with our luggage and said, 'you've been lining the material with drugs and trafficking it back and forth to the U.S.'"

Nadine also said that officers at one point lied to her husband by saying, "Your wife has confessed to everything."

We were presumed guilty until proven innocent, she said. "I think they were trying to build a case, trying to get confessions, but underneath it all things were not adding up."

After being released on bail, they found Toronto criminal lawyer Marcy Segal. In order to help clear their name, Segal sent out the chocolate for forensic testing in Florida. Following a couple of weeks, the results proved that all they were carrying was indeed chocolate.

Obadia and Artemis then found out that the charges against them were dropped.

"The Constable that arrested us called to say that the case was dismissed. He said that

Ron Obadia -
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we clearly must've smoked a joint before we entered the airport because something excited the dogs," said Artemis. "Again, we were presumed guilty, which we weren't."

After hearing the news, the two were looking forward to moving ahead with their busy lives and continuing to make natural health and beauty products.

On Sept. 11, the two thought they were fully prepared for a second trip to the U.S., this time to Buffalo. They met with an immigration lawyer at the Lewiston Bridge for a supervised trial run and carried exoneration papers that detailed what had happened to them before. They also had a certified letter from the Department of Justice in Brampton explaining their product.

But none of it seemed to be enough as the sequel to their nightmare started all over again.

"When we were pulled over for inspection, dogs crawled all over our car and this time they picked up on tea tree oil and frankincense," explained Artemis. "They then tested all my beauty products. They probably went through 40 testing kits."

They then waited eight hours in customs and were interviewed by federal agents because they were in the States.

"They said that one of us would have to be arrested so they took Ron so I could be with the baby," said Artemis.

Obadia met with an American lawyer and attended court early the next morning.

"Ron was up on some serious charges because they claimed we had five pounds of hash and two vials of hash oil. So he was seen as a dangerous criminal," she said. "The judge laughed at the charges," added Obadia. "It was neat to hear the lawyer and the judge work it out."

Obadia was released and his wife was able to pick him in Toronto shortly after his court appearance.

But wait, it didn't end there.

Both are now stuck with \$22,000 in legal bills and their American charges are still pending. They may need to fork out an additional \$10,000 in legal fees to clear their names. They also had a surprise visit from the Children's Aid Society and OPP officers in August.

As of press time, the couple has managed to raise close to \$10,000 from their network of friends, family and business associates. Their goal is to collect \$50,000 in order to sue Canadian law enforcement officials for false arrest.

"If it's not recognizable food that's in a package, it's going through as drugs," said Artemis. "Our experience clearly shows that there's a glitch in the system."

Both Ron and Nadine have remained fairly quiet about the situation until being taken into custody for the second time.

"I didn't even tell my parents because I didn't want them to worry," said Obadia. "They ended up finding out about it by reading The Toronto Star."

To help support these two locals in their fight for natural food rights and to challenge the validity of NIK drug tests, donations can be made to their legal defense fund at <http://livinglibations.chipin.com/superfood-freedom>. They can also be contacted by calling 1 416-920-8471 or through email at ron@livinglibations.com. ■



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Neighbours Furious Over Rainbow Fence

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

It's often been said that fences make good neighbours, but that didn't appear to be the case at the last Minden Hills Council meeting. Wendy Fallis and her sister Joyce Parkinson both appeared as a delegation to beseech Council to establish a fence by-law. Their experience with one particular fence has not been good.

Fallis told Council that when she started to build her cottage on the Gull River in Norland three years ago, she hoped it would be her dream home. But, Fallis claims, those dreams have been dashed by a neighbour who has made it clear that they're not welcome.

Fallis and her sister have lots on either side of Ms. Julie Jones. About a month ago, Ms. Jones put up a fence just inside her own property boundaries which, according to Fallis, has made the sisters the laughing stock of Gull River. Fallis said, "People are coming by boat to look at our property." And when they do they see an eight-foot fence made out of posts and chipboard that is painted all colours of the rainbow, splashed in huge blocks of red, pink, yellow, orange and green.

On one side the fence is only an inch off Parkinson's property line and ranges from 6" to a foot off her own boundary on the other side. The fence is a natural wood colour on the neighbour's side.

Parkinson bought her lot first, but found reason to caution her sister that she thought there could be trouble. Sure enough, Fallis said that from the very day she and her husband bought the property, the neighbour let them know in no uncertain terms she didn't want anyone near her. Fallis alleges that Jones has harassed them and shouted obscenities at them ever since they started to build their cottage. The problems have since escalated, with property stakes being smashed, calls made to the Ministry about a dock that the Fallises built and a dispute over a deck built by the neighbour that extended over their property line.

Minden's Chief Building Inspector Ken Jones has visited the site and spoken with Ms. Jones, but at the present time the only regulation Minden has regarding fences is a section of the zoning by-law that relates to height. Mr. Jones advised Council that under the Municipal Act they could create a fence by-law that would regulate not only height, but the type of material



Photos by Lyn Winans



Julie Jones



The neighbours: Joe and Joyce Parkinson, and Wendy and Gill Falli

being used and colour.

Mr. Jones voiced concern that such a by-law could become too subjective, saying that most municipalities stay away from regulating colour, but some do specify that colours must be of a natural hue.

Councillor Rick Ratcliff asked about the Line Fences Act and whether there was a requirement to have the good side of the fence on the outside but according to Jones, this only applies if the fence is right on the property line. He said that he would have to seek a legal opinion on the matter.

Councillor Peter Oyler told Fallis that regrettably the Municipality couldn't get involved as the fence is on private property. "The neighbour has covered her bases and even if there was a fence by-law it would be a civil matter between owners." Speaking from his own experience, Oyler said that nothing could be done unless the fence installation altered

than 61/2 feet in height. He had spoken with the property owner who plans to make changes to the grade to reduce the height of the fence. Fallis, however, pointed out that the fence would still be eight feet on their side.

Councillor Barbara Reid said that under the circumstances Ms. Jones should be compelled to change her fence, but Mr. Jones said that in fairness no action should be taken until the final grade is established. Jones suggested that this fall would be too early and that the matter be resolved in the spring.

Oyler reminded Jones that if the neighbour raised the elevation of their property it could cause runoff onto both the Fallis and Parkinson properties creating further problems. Jones confirmed that he had spoken with Ms. Jones about drainage.

Finally Council agreed that the neighbour would be given four weeks to meet the height requirement. Reid commented that it was normally Council's policy to work with both sides in a dispute. "Normally that's a good thing, but in this case it seems that the neighbour has an agenda that isn't healthy. I agree that we must require the fence to be six feet on both sides within the four week period."

When the Voice approached the neighbour, Julie Jones, she was shovelling dirt up against her side of the fence and at first was reluctant to comment. She finally said, "I'm not the sole owner of the property. I didn't put the fence up and you'll have to ask the person who did." Jones also said, "These people need to get a life. If they're going to act like children, we'll keep treating them like children."

When pressed, Jones said that all of the neighbours had put up the fence. She complained about Fallis' shed being too close to her property line, but a quick inspection indicated that Jones's own outhouse is also very close to Parkinson's lot line. (Jones is scheduled to speak with Minden Hills Council at their next meeting.)

One neighbour admitted helping Jones' partner unload some posts, but said he had no knowledge that they were for a fence. He was also unaware of any other neighbours being involved in the fencing project.

When leaving a sign could be seen posted at the end of the road that directs people to the sisters' properties if you want to take a 'fall colour tour.'

At the moment, Fallis and Parkinson are feeling a bit defenceless and the old adage that tall fences make good neighbours is obviously not always true. ■

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The \$15,000 cheque was presented to Dale Walker, HHHSF Executive Director, by members of the Rotary Club of Haliburton and District Governor Tom Bennett.

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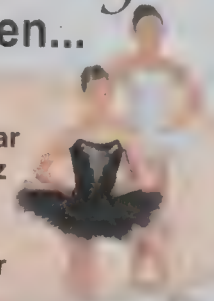
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Police Reports

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment have charged two drivers with alcohol related driving offences within the last four days. During that same time frame three drivers have also been charged with Racing under the Highway Traffic Act.

On Thursday October 2, 2008 shortly before 11:30pm officers on patrol had occasion to stop a vehicle in the area of Highway #118 and County Rd #7.

Officers spoke to the driver who was subsequently arrested for impaired driving. Charlene Bellehumeur 28 years of Dysart et al has been charged with Impaired Driving, Drive Over 80mgs and Possession of Marijuana and will be appearing in Minden court on December 3, 2008 in relation to the charges.

Earlier in the day an officer from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment was patrolling Highway #35 when he had occasion to stop a southbound vehicle that was traveling at more than 50km/h over the posted 80 km/h speed limit. Charles Millard 24 years of Peterborough was subsequently charged with Racing under the Highway Traffic Act.

On Friday October 3, 2008 shortly after 9:00pm officer from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment had occasion to stop a vehicle in Tory Hill in relation to a driving complaint. The officers had conversation with the driver who was subsequently arrested. Charged with Refusing to Provide a Breath Sample is Andrew Nadeau 18 years of Orillia. Mr. Nadeau will be appearing in Minden Court on November 5, 2008 in relation to the charge.

Later that same evening an officer from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment was patrolling Highway #35 in Minden Hills Township when he observed a vehicle doing

more than 50km/h over the posted 80km/h speed limit. Harry Pokrandt 48 years of Toronto was subsequently charged with Racing under the Highway Traffic Act.

On Sunday October 5, 2008 shortly before 9:30pm an officer from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment was patrolling Highway #35 in Minden Hills Township when he observed a vehicle that was traveling at more than 50km/h over the posted 80km/h speed limit. Keith Hirstwood 26 years of Minden Hills Township was subsequently charged with Racing under the Highway Traffic Act.

Drivers are reminded that being charged with Racing under Section 172 of the Highway Traffic Act results in a seven day drivers licence suspension at the time of the offence. The vehicle (whether belonging to the driver or not) being driven is also impounded for seven days as well. ■

Bancroft OPP Reports

Break and Enters Reported to Police

In the early evening of Friday the 03rd of October 2008 the Bancroft OPP were dispatched to the report of a break and enter on Sandy's Lane in the Municipality of Highlands East. Sometime between the 28th of September and 03rd of October unknown suspects forcibly entered a seasonal residence. Property reported stolen included alcohol and video games.

In the morning of Sunday the 05th of October 2008 Officers from the Bancroft OPP received the report of a break and enter on Mink Road in the Municipality of Hastings Highlands. Sometime between the 26th of September and 05th of October unknown suspects forcibly entered a seasonal residence. Property reported stolen was alcohol.

Anyone with information about these break, enters and thefts are encouraged to contact the Bancroft OPP at 613-332-2112 or CRIMESTOPPERS at 1-800-222-8477.

Boat Reported Stolen on Steenburg Lake

In the afternoon of Saturday the 04th of October 2008 the Bancroft OPP received the report of the theft of a boat on Steenburg Lake Road South in Limerick Township. Sometime during the previous week a boat that was tied to a dock went missing. The boat is described as a 14 foot silver and red Princecraft with a 9.9 Mercury outboard motor. Anyone with information about this missing boat is encouraged to contact the Bancroft OPP at 613-332-2112 or CRIMESTOPPERS at 1-800-222-8477.

Males Charged with Alcohol Related Offences

In the early evening of Sunday the 05th of October 2008 Officers from the Bancroft detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police received the report of a possible impaired driver on Highway 62 in the Municipality of Hastings Highlands. Investigation revealed that a Ford van was southbound on Highway 62 north of Birds Creek and stopped in a private parking lot. One male exited the driver's side and a second male exited the passenger side of the van. A witness then approached the males and they entered the van in the ditch along Highway 62. The witness then attempted to stop the males from entering back onto the highway and one of the males assaulted the witness. Officers attended the location and arrested both males for impaired operation and they were transported to the Bancroft OPP detachment for breathalyzer tests. A 57 year old male of the Municipality of Hastings Highlands has been charged with impaired operation, assault with a weapon and assault with intent to resist arrest contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada. A 47 year old male of Bancroft has been charged with impaired operation contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada and drive while suspended contrary to the Highway Traffic Act. Both males are scheduled to appear in Bancroft Court on the 25th of November 2008. Bancroft OPP will be releasing the names of the two males within the next 10 days.

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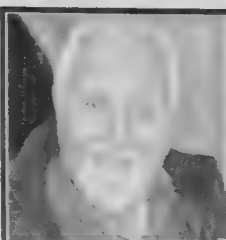


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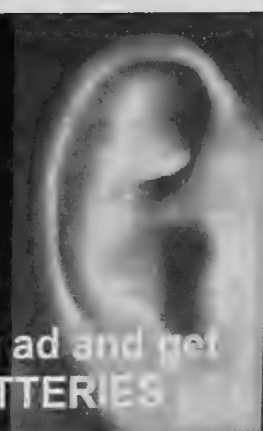
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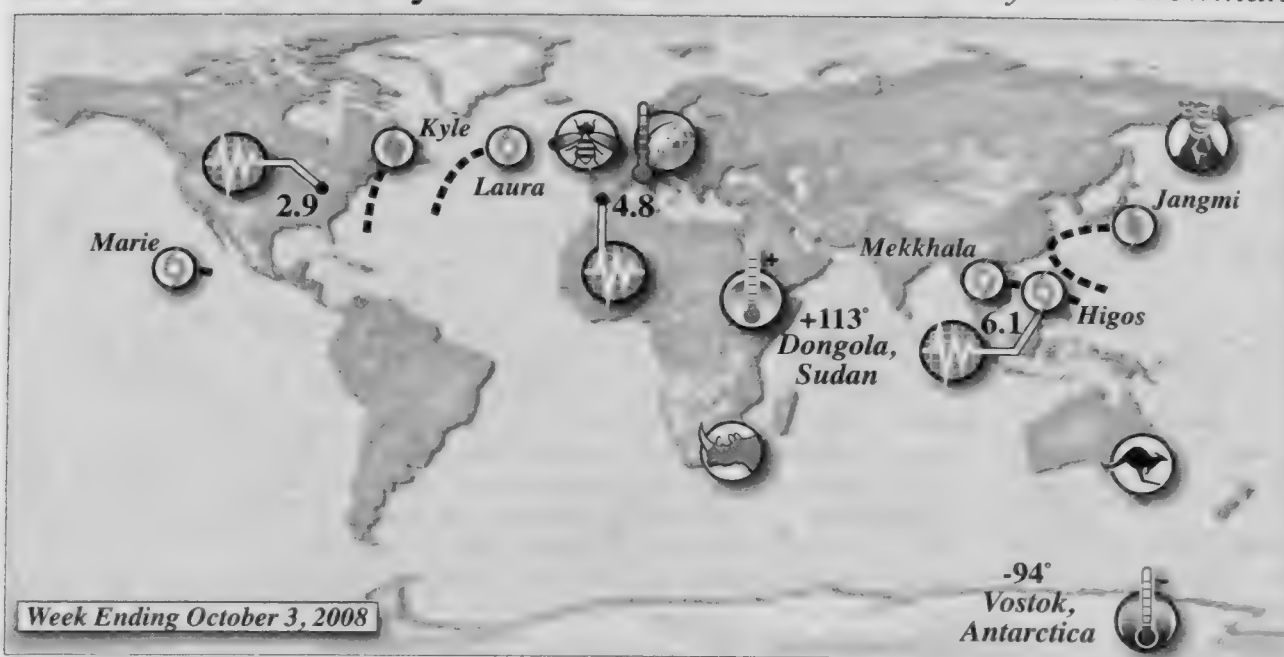
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Tropical Cyclones

Officials in northern Vietnam say that eight people died and several others were left missing when Tropical Storm Mekkhal roared ashore in Quang Binh province. High winds from the storm knocked out power and blew the tin roofs off houses.

• Typhoon Jangmi, the most powerful to strike Taiwan so far this year, left two people dead and forced the closure of businesses and financial markets.

• Tropical Storm Higos drenched the central Philippines.

• Hurricane Kyle buffeted New England and Atlantic Canada. Subtropical Storm Laura formed over the North Atlantic.

• Tropical Storm Marie churned the open waters of the eastern Pacific.

Pesticide Ban Proposed

Britain's Soil Association has urged the government to join four other European countries in banning a pesticide linked to honeybee deaths around the world. The *Guardian* reports that the chemicals, known as neonicotinoids, are approved to kill insects on a range of crops in the U.K. Germany suspended the sale of the pesticides in May following reports from 700 beekeepers in the Rhine Valley that two-thirds of their bees had died following their use. Britain's National Farmers' Union blasted the proposed ban, saying it would not be based on "good science." The Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs attributes the honeybee decline to a variety of factors, and says there are no plans to ban the pesticides. Bee colonies have declined between 30 and 90 percent around the world over the last two years, threatening two-thirds of all major crops that depend upon bees for pollination.

Rhino Killings

The number of rhino deaths from poaching in South Africa has soared in recent months, with 12 white rhinos being killed in the eastern province of KwaZulu-Natal alone so far this year. The *Witness* daily reports that rangers have found the decomposing carcasses of the animals, apparently shot with high-caliber rifles and their horns cleanly removed with a sharp instrument. Only about two or three killings a year have occurred over the past decade. Rhinoceros horns are highly prized in Asia, especially China, where they are considered to have medicinal and aphrodisiacal properties. Last year, Zimbabwe announced a plan to surgically dehorn the country's rhino population to prevent poaching.

Kamchatka Plume

Far East Russia's Shiveluch volcano spewed a massive column of ash that soared nearly 15,000 feet above the Kamchatka Peninsula. The local office of the Geophysics Service of the Russian Academy of Sciences said that the volcanic debris did not pose a threat to any communities or communications networks. The volcano is one of the most active in the region, and is located far from any population centers.

Earthquakes

Two strong quakes jolted Manila and other parts of the northern Philippines within five minutes.

• Earth movements were also felt in southern Spain and Ohio.

Eat Roo to Cool Earth

The Australian government's leading climate change adviser says the country should switch to eating kangaroo instead of beef to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Professor Ross Garnaut noted in an official report that while the belching and flatulence of grazing farm animals is a major source of methane, kangaroos emit almost none of that greenhouse gas. "For most of Australia's human history of around 60,000 years, kangaroo was the main source of meat. It could again become important," Garnaut said. He noted that some barriers to this culinary shift include livestock and farm-management issues, consumer resistance and the gradual nature of change in food tastes. As might be expected, the head of the Northern Territory Cattlemen's Association, Luke Bowen, called the proposal "ridiculous."

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Have Your Say...
VOX POP

We asked artists and those visiting on the studio tour, "What are your thoughts of this year's Haliburton County Studio tour?" "Why do you think that this is an important event for the community?"



Jane Selbie, Artist in Haliburton – "It's been fabulous. It's been my best weekend ever. At times, I've probably had 45 people in here all at once. We promote our area as being an artist community and this is a very official form of bringing people to the artists. When we sell our art it's through direct sales, which is nice because you get to meet the people who are buying your work. This tour has such a great reputation and people know they'll find good art. I encourage people and families to come out next weekend!"



Gail Crawford, Whitby – "It's great to be able to see different types of art by getting out in the community and meeting all these talented artists. Hats off to the community for putting this on."



Paul Sampson, Stouffville – "This is the fourth year I've been on the tour and I think it's getting better each year. We came up for the day because we have a cottage here. We'll often bring friends up with us to enjoy all the local artists. It's nice to have this artwork exposed. There's some very creative people and we're very glad people open up their homes for this. We've bought some stuff and we enjoy supporting the local community."



Sue Forbes, Artist in Haliburton – "I think it's one of the most fantastic art shows in Canada. It's great for economic development in the community. People are coming to see the gorgeous fall colours and this is a chance for the County to show off its high calibre artists. For a small community, clearly the interest in art is quite impressive."



Karen Albert, Haliburton – "This is a wonderful way for artists to make people aware of the rich artistic community. There's so much on the tour. People can see the artistic mosaic in Haliburton County in a short period of time. It gives us the chance to show off the County at its best."



Jan Tabb, Port Hope – "It's our first time on the tour. It's been very interesting and this is a great opportunity to see the various artists and their works. It obviously helps the economy. Since we were up in the area anyways, we decided we'd participate."

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Angels of Hope

Show Your Support For Hospice and Alzheimer's Programs



"Angels" have touched down in Haliburton County for the fifth year in a row for SIRCH's Angels of Hope campaign.

Soon, local businesses will be encouraging their customers to put \$2 towards this campaign that will raise funds for SIRCH's Community Hospice and Alzheimer's Support programs.

"This is a really important fundraiser for us," said Gena Robertson, SIRCH Executive Director. "We have to raise \$35,000 by the end of March and we're about half way there."

Since SIRCH is only partially funded by the Government, the organization is responsible for finding funds they need on their own for essential programs. SIRCH is a non-profit, charitable organization that provides community based direct services, consulting,

training and resources.

The Angels of Hope campaign works in the same way that the Easter Egg campaign for Easter Seals does. When a customer approaches a cashier with their purchase(s), they will be asked if they'd like to support the cause by buying an angel. The customer can then write their name on the angel or the name of a loved one (in memory). The angel is then placed on the window of the business and is left there until the end of the campaign. A total of 13 stores are participating in this year's fundraiser.

"This is a great opportunity for all the stores," said Heather Smith, fundraising leader on the project. "They're all excited about it."

Cashiers who sell the most Angels in their store will receive a gift certificate and posters will inform the public about the fundraiser, leaving minimal explanation necessary for store employees to worry about.

Last year, the campaign raised \$3,873.50 for the SIRCH Community Hospice program. All proceeds from the Angel sales remain in Haliburton County.

The Community Hospice program provides trained and compassionate volunteers to those who face a life-threatening illness, or those who have suffered the recent loss of a loved one. They also provide support to families coping with Alzheimer's disease or other dementias.

Funds collected from the Angels of Hope campaign will go into training, volunteer recruitment, support materials and other costs of running the program.

This year's campaign began on Saturday, Oct. 4 and runs until Sunday, Oct. 12. ■



Bancroft Uranium Diversifies

On September 30th Bancroft Uranium Inc. (Bancroft) made an official announcement that it plans to move forward with a strategic portfolio diversification. Bancroft, whose initial asset was the Monmouth Uranium Project, have to date only discussed plans to develop a low cost, open pit uranium mine in Highlands East. Part of their plan now includes a number of acquisitions within the more conventional areas of the energy market.

With this goal in mind, Bancroft is in the process of finalizing the terms of agreements to acquire several Canadian oil and gas projects that the company considers to be of significant interest. According to Bancroft's recent press release these projects represent relatively shallow, low cost oil and gas targets which they believe have the potential for near term production.

In their release, company representatives say that Bancroft is still committed to the energy sector overall and they believe that the acquisition of strategic energy assets will improve their existing portfolio of uranium assets. The acquisitions being made are still in the process of being finalized and the company has advised that they will announce the details of their oil and gas acquisitions once the formal agreements are signed and executed.

"Bancroft is confident that the addition of well documented projects whose merits deliver the potential for near term cash flow will significantly assist the company's ability to finance ongoing operations and will serve to provide its stakeholders and shareholders with significant added value prospects."

As part of their diversification plan, the company is proposing to change their name to Bancroft Energy, Inc. The name is presently being considered as a means to better reflect their corporate shift. It is interesting to note that Mr. Les Hammond has resigned from the Board of Bancroft Uranium. The company is actively seeking a replacement candidate from the Canadian petroleum sector. Hammond was unavailable for comment at the time of this release. ■

\$1,000 Handed Over to the HHHSF Soyers Lake Ratepayer's Association Makes a Contribution



Pictured left to right: Art Ward, Soyers Past President, Case Bassie, Treasurer, Kim Stamp, President, Dale Walker, HHHSF Director, and Peter Oyler, HHHSF Chair.

The Soyers Lake Ratepayer's Association also presented the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) with a cheque on Thursday, Oct. 2 in the amount of \$1,000 to go to The Reach for the Future Campaign.

The Soyers Lake Ratepayer's Association is made up of permanent residents and cottage owners on Soyers Lake in the Haliburton Highlands of Ontario.

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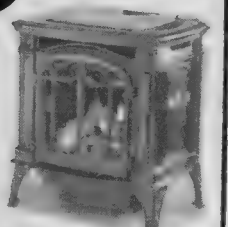
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Wendy Trusler Dances in a Northern Kitchen

Rails End Gallery Show a Feast for Senses

Terrance Gavan

Staff Reporter

The smell of warm baked bread. A pot of beans. Old boughs, fallen leaves and the remnants of old growth hardwood forest. Plaques of wood paneled recipes hinged together, resembling the accordion folds of Buddha prayer manuscripts. An old cast iron wood stove, the heavy door opened and beckoning onlookers to sneak a peek inside at a film on loop.

The film and musical event evolving inside the antique stove is a multimedia collage dedicated to the mamba of a trip down a cottage country highway, intertwined and juxtaposed with the delicate two-step of life in the kitchen. Chopping, dicing and slicing. The palpable kneading of yeast-seasoned dough. Steps through a clear cut and the cautionary tale woven as men and women seek to right that desecration through the planting of new sprouts. Tree planters and the steps they take to reclaim a shorn and rough-hewn heritage.

Welcome to Wendy Trusler's world. A world that hearkens a life spent dancing in a northern kitchen. A life that burgeons with an artist's unique vision. A life that is still spent in search of answers. The challenge? To frame reference from myriad themes. To derive nuance from the mundane or the trivial.

Most of us spend lives draped in humdrum. It's the artist's job to scratch the surface and help us find our own art, our own raison d'être. Stephen Harper doesn't get it. We go in search of art because, as Trusler said in her opening presentation, it's something man has done since he first started drawing pictures on cave walls. We are hidebound to artistic endeavor. Why? Because it offers solace, beauty, joy and resonance.

How do I know that? Well, because I read it in the wood stove last Saturday afternoon at the opening of Trusler's exhibition called Dancing in a Northern Kitchen (on display at Haliburton's Rails End Gallery from October 4th to November 15th). And inspiration gleaned from the sheltered bowels of an antique stove, well, it has to be important. Or at the very least, life-affirming.

In the stove is a passage comparing sculpture with dance. It goes on to paint a prosaic picture of a fisherman casting and retrieving his net. The compelling dance of that fisherman, says the passage in the stove, is art, if we choose to see it.

And really, that's what Wendy Trusler brings to Haliburton Rails End Gallery. Perspective hinged, like her wood panel recipes, upon her life. The recipes are gleaned from her decade of work as a cook for tree planting crews in BC, Ontario and Alberta. Her dance was kneading, chopping, preparing, and ultimately giving sustenance to her own huddled masses. Literally and figuratively stirring a pot. A pot that today overflows through her art and in her inspired installations.

The idea to hinge recipes together was arrived at serendipitously after a trip to Nepal where she discovered ancient prayer manuscripts that unfolded like pleats of an accordion. She places the recipes on the floor and on shelves. The pleats dance along the ground and across shelves.

A healthy crowd was on hand for Trusler's opening, and particularly poignant was the number of young people in attendance. At one point, three youngsters stood in front of a film being played out on the wall, making hand shadows in the

flickering images. Art comes in all shapes and in all sizes. Installation art, which is what Trusler does today, is all about involvement and interaction.

Dancing in a Northern Kitchen is a viewer friendly exhibit, art that ultimately allows for free exchange of ideas. Trusler in her artist's presentation felt compelled to provide an interpretation of the genre.

"I decided to Google installation art," laughs Trusler, as she winds her way through the short power point presentation. Wikipedia's definition says that, "Installation art uses sculptural materials and other media to modify the way a particular space is experienced. Installation art is not necessarily confined

with the way I go about presenting a piece ... and it shifted ... oil wouldn't work."

From small epiphanies great enterprise. Trusler says that 'Northern Kitchen' is her way of paying homage to that time in her life. A time of growth, a memory she seeks to rekindle in this lovely installation. "It's finding a way to flood the viewer ... the recipes in this installation and the way they connect is a prime example," says Trusler. "I liked the way they looked on the ground ... but this installation also presents a giant leap of faith." She went on to explain that the theme of the dance is a mnemonic engendered from another endeavor. "I was taking dance lessons and I recall thinking that the dance steps resembled cooking in a kitchen." She says that it was that juxtaposition of seeming disjointed themes that presented the collision of recipe with dance. "I wanted to bring the recipes to life."

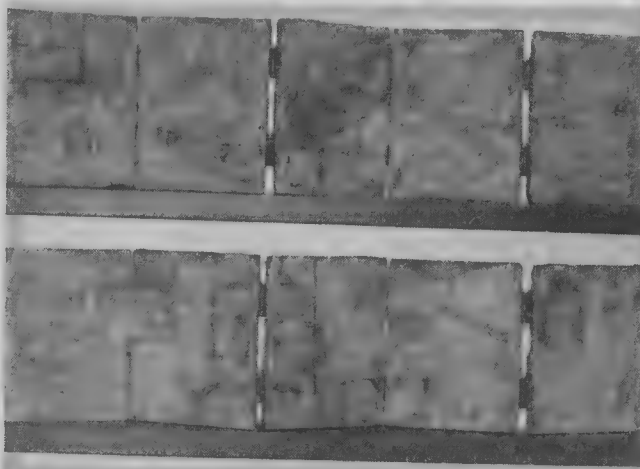
Trusler says she still works with the traditional easel, oil and brush, but her installation art, and especially Dancing in a Northern Kitchen provides an outlet that remains both gratifying and expressive. Art for Trusler today encompasses a wide swath of media. Film, brush, words, wood, music, logs and leaves. This is Trusler's canvas, a mutable feast.

And we shouldn't, by the way, forget the feast. Trusler treated patrons last Saturday to a marvelous assault on that other sense, smell. She baked bread and beans for the occasion. A feast that hearkened those days in the northern woods. Simple fare melding

with the overarching textured theme of faith, hope and environmental renewal.

The dance, the stove, the bread and the rustic placement of forest on floor.

It remains Trusler's giant leap of faith and, not coincidentally then, a papable and endearing feast for the senses. ■



to gallery spaces and can be any material intervention in everyday public or private spaces."

Trusler, who actually put herself through art college with monies garnered from her work in tree planting kitchens, says that her art evolved gradually. "I started out very traditionally, painting and working with traditional materials," smiles Trusler. The dovetail into mixed media installation art was, she feels, a natural offshoot of her desire to challenge herself and

apply pressure her own artistic comfort zone. She says that there was a time when she was just beginning her artistic journey when she saw herself as "a painter." That changed as she evolved. As her life evolved.

In her presentation she takes the audience through that fact-finding mission. "Why installation art?" asks Trusler. The rhetorical question hangs in the air for a breath. She talks about a time in her life when everything changed. "There was a point in my life when I was recovering from brain surgery ... there was a risk of the loss of my short term memory," says Trusler. Shortly after her successful recovery, she began to investigate other venues for her creativity. "Embracing mixed media helped me to achieve my objectives," says Trusler. "I was struggling

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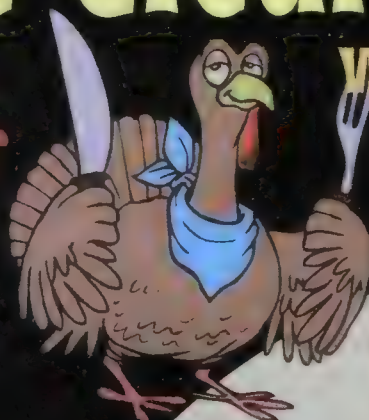
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Pilots who made the trip into Stanhope were treated to more than friendly hospitality and autumn colours, while aviation fuel was sold at a special "Fly-In only" price of \$1.50 a litre, considerably less than the \$1.95 presently being charged at Buttonville Airport.

Volunteers Bob and Sherrie Ashleigh manned the fuel pumps, prompting much good humoured speculation that Bob was going to give up flying for Air Canada and take up a new vocation as full-time "gas jockey".

Photos By:
Lyn Winans

Mary Stiver Takes Home New Machine in Stanhope Fire Department Raffle

On Wednesday, Oct. 1, Mary Stiver of Halls Lake picked up the keys to her brand new \$10,000 Can-AM Outlander ATV at Prentice Power Sports.

Stiver recently won the 4x4 four-wheeler through the Stanhope Fire Departments raffle that raised about \$3,500 to enhance the department's remote access capabilities.

For Stiver, the win came as a shock and a rather pleasant surprise.

"I've never won anything like this every before," she said.

Her son Dan gave her a call from the Stanhope Fire Department's 'Wheelin and Dealin' ATV Poker

Run on Saturday, Sept. 27 to give her the initial good news.

"I was looking after two of my grandchildren at the time and we did the

happy dance in the living room, screaming our heads off!"

Stiver's grandchildren bought 15, \$10 tickets as Birthday presents for her and her sister.

"My 75th Birthday is a week before Christmas and I have a twin sister. Since my family can't visit us much in the wintertime, we decided to have a pre-Birthday party for both of us," explained Stiver.

The ATV was donated for the raffle by Paul Prentice of Prentice Power Sports in Minden.

"I've made it a mission over the years to help out in any way I can," said Prentice. "When a group or association comes to me I always try to provide them a product at net cost."

A total of 1,300 tickets were sold throughout the summer for the raffle.

Ryan Reesor, Captain of the Stanhope Fire Department, explained where the proceeds from the raffle will go.

"We will purchase a new trailer to haul our rescue ATV and we'll purchase a victim removal trailer," he said.

Other winners of the draw included Dave Crowther who came in second place and won a 2500 watt generator and Mark Brohm who came third and received a 1,500 watt generator.

So what's the first adventure that Mary's going to take with her new machine?

"I'm going to go fishing this winter with it!" she said. "And I'm going to get myself a matching red helmet." ■



Left to right, George Sharp, President Stanhope Firefighters, Dan Stiver, Paul Prentice, Mary Stiver, and Ryan Reesor, Captain, Fire Department.

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Participants were able to choose their route: either a guided walk of the Sculpture Trail or a stroll on the Head Lake Trail.

The walk is held annually to promote physical activity as a way of lowering one's risk of getting heart disease. Heart disease is the number one killer of Canadian men and women.

Walk for Heart is part of the 6th annual Hike Haliburton Festival.

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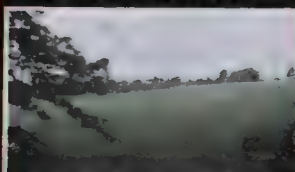
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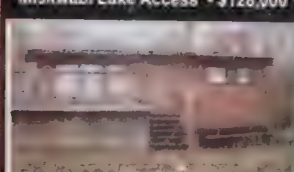
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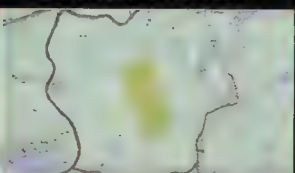
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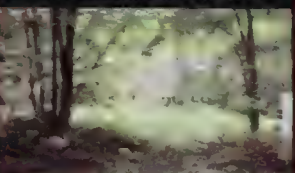
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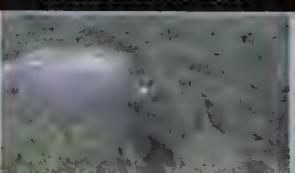
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304 feet of frontage and 3.8 acres direct level waterfront parcel on prestigious Kushog. 4 season 3 bedroom, 2 bath, open concept home/cottage. Features propane fireplace, recent forced air oil furnace, nice decking plus loads more! Value priced below assessed value for a quick sale.

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Anthony van Lieshout** 457-2414 ext. 27

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3 bedroom, 1 bath Viceroy type cottage. Vaulted windows w/ cathedral ceilings - loaded w/ pine flooring. Open concept - centralized fireplace in living room. Includes aluminum boat & motor, paddleboat, fridge, stove, dishwasher, washer & dryer and most of the furnishings.

Debbie Cumber* 457-2414 ext. 28

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Renovated 2+ bedroom home on over 5 acres. Above ground pool w/ wrap around decking. Maple kitchen, ceramic tile, bathroom fixtures, main floor laundry, hardwood maple flooring, decking, airtight pellet stove and light fixtures. Full walkout basement with extra bedroom, storage and workshop.

Debbie Cumber* 457-2414 ext. 24

Kushog Lake - \$829,900

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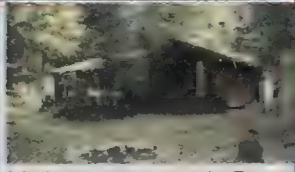
Kashagawigamog Lake Estate comprised of 3 separately deeded waterfront parcels offering 586 feet frontage and 6.44 acres of land. 3,300 sq. ft. 1946 stone home in mint condition. Boathouse w/ loft, double insulated garage w/ loft and a barn. Home features 3 fireplaces, hardwood floors, original doors and accessories.

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Trooper Lake - \$244,900

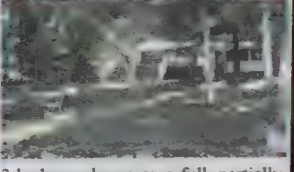
3 bedroom cottage on quiet Trooper Lake. The large deck is great for entertaining and barbecues. The large dock is great for sipping your cold drink by the lake while the kids jump in and swim. Open concept design with a woodstove to keep you warm on chilly evenings. Bunkie / storage shed for that needed extra space.

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Lid Robinson* 286-1234

Kushog Lake - \$459,900

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Tom Gardner* 286-1234



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The Axeman Cometh – Walking Down Main Street

You Know it's a Small Town When ...

Terrance Gavan

Staff Reporter

I was getting ready to depart my minivan recently in downtown Haliburton when something quite surreal caught my eye. I sat transfixed in my seat, stunned by a mesmerizing sight.

Out of a pickup truck comes a guy. Working class guy, jeans and tee shirt. He was walking through the Foodland parking lot toward the hovering hoards on Highland Street with an axe in his hand. Working class axe. Maple handle, red blunt end anchoring a steel edge glinting malevolently in a smothering sun.

My mind, such as it is, suddenly shifts to disjointed scene. Jack Nicholson in *The Shining*. My synapses swiftly snap to Scatman Crothers, his subsequent run-in with axe-man Jack, and a child's plaintive dyslexic plea, "Redrum, redrum, redrum."

The man moved nonchalantly down Highland Street toward the CIBC bank. The crowds of people on Highland Street rushed past this ersatz and oddly placed lumberjack with nary a backward glance. Not one double take, not a single skewed stare. There are no trees on Highland Street as far as I know. The crowds remained oblivious to a man calmly walking down the busy main thoroughfare with axe slung low on hip.

And it suddenly occurred to me that I'm well and truly ensconced in small town Canada. A place where axe-wielding pedestrians are met with a simple smile and dispassionate nod. Even when moving toward a bank on a bustling thoroughfare on a Friday afternoon.

I wondered quietly just how long this guy would have lasted last Friday, if he had been walking down Yonge Street in Toronto, or Bank Street in Ottawa. Actually I didn't have to wonder about the latter.

A decade or so ago, I was back in Ottawa, slogging away as managing editor of two Kanata weekly newspapers. Every Friday I was allowed to leave the office early and meet with a group of NFL junkies at a local watering hole called Fat Albert's on Bank Street. We made our picks for the Fat Albert's Sunday NFL pool on Friday afternoons.

One of our pool members was a transplanted Mexican, Miguel Fernandez, a very nice Princeton grad who was working as an IT specialist for a local dot-com enterprise. Miguel hated the cold. He wore a bubble boy parka and a heavy woolen balaclava continuously from about mid-October through to the first robin sighting in March.

Miguel had a mantra that he beat like a boron drum. "It's too cold ... I hate this weather ... why did I let my mother talk me into moving to this tundra ... do you know that it's 88 degrees in Acapulco today?"

One Friday in mid-November Miguel rushes into our Friday session popping piss and vinegar.

He had just moved into a new house and it had a fireplace and a wood stove. He was getting two cords of wood delivered on the weekend and he asked us what he would need.

"Well Mikey my son, you'll need an axe, a sharp one, and don't scrimp ... stay away from those plastic handles ... go with the good hard wood," said the patriarch of our group, old Tom O'Reilly, a retired Ottawa police detective who now owned a hobby farm just south of Ottawa.

Miguel was too excited to make his picks and he started putting on his bubble boy coat. "I'm going to the bank and to pick up that axe and thanks for the help Sergeant Tom." Just before heading out into the teeth of a rapidly building November nor'wester, he donned the ever-present wool balaclava. It was -25 centigrade and dipping quickly. As he left the pub into the teeth of a gale, we heard the familiar mantra from some somewhere beneath his woolen mask. "It's too damn cold ... geez, I hate this weather."

An hour later someone noticed that Miguel hadn't made his picks and hadn't returned from his trip to the bank. Odd, since the hardware store was across the street and his bank was just three blocks north of the pub.

We were just about to send out a search party, when the door opened. Two uniformed Ottawa cops and a rather large detective stepped into the bar. The large plainclothes officer recognized Tom right away.

"Tom, good to see you, look we've got a problem," the young detective said, approaching O'Reilly deferentially. "Do you know a guy named Miguel Fernandez? It's just that he's in the back of a squad car outside and he says you might be able to lend us a hand. Have you known this guy long, Tom?"

"Yes, John, fellows this is Detective John Halloran by the way, I've known, well we've all known Mikey, err Miguel, for two and a half years or so. He's a good friend. What's he done?"

"Well, it's a little complicated, Tom ... but the long and short is, he's been apprehended at the Toronto Dominion Bank on suspicion of armed robbery. Trouble is, when I got there, he was so agitated that he was only speaking in Spanish and shouting 'Fat Alberts' and 'Sergeant Tom O'Reilly my friend and detective' so I guessed it was you and figured you might be able to step in and help us sort it out. Truth be told Tom, I think it's a misunderstanding."

He nodded and a uniformed officer opened the door and Miguel was ushered into Fat Alberts by two officers. One was carrying a shiny new axe and a balaclava. Miguel was so happy to see old Tom that he ran and put his arms around the big shoulders.

"Tell them ... tell them, for god's sake Tom ... tell them that I make six figures and I don't need to rob banks on the side," said Miguel, who was on the verge of hysterics.

Tom put a consoling hand on 'Mikey's' shoulder. Then he looked over at Ottawa police detective John Halloran.

"Don't tell me John, that Miguel did what I think he did," and he started to laugh, his huge shoulders shaking with the effort. It was apparently a cop thing, because pretty soon all three cops were in stitches. I was still, quite frankly, puzzled.

"Well, Tom near as I can tell," said Halloran, still chuckling hard. "Your Mikey went and bought an axe at the local Canadian Tire, which he says is down to you Tom, by the way. Miguel then apparently entered the premises of the Toronto Dominion Bank at precisely 4:33 pm, wearing a bubble boy parka, with a black woolen balaclava and said axe firmly in hand. The teller stepped on the silent alarm and five units responded in five minutes to the silent alarm."

Everything got straightened out. Miguel got to keep his axe and he went to the bank to apologize to the staff, who, finally recognizing their long time customer, were laughing harder than the cops. Miguel invited the NFL Posse to a wood-splitting party the next day. He started a blaze in his

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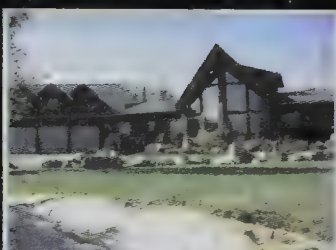


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21st Annual Haliburton County Studio Tour Continues

Meet the
Area's
Artists
and Tour
their
Studios
this
Weekend



Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

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brand new fireplace, and the first thing that went on top was his black balaclava and that hideous bubble boy parka.

I have no idea if that gentleman on Highland Street ever did wander into the CIBC to do his banking last Friday afternoon.

I do remember doing my grocery shopping with an unusually large smile on my puss. The axe-man had triggered a happy mnemonic.

Yep. You know you're livin' in a small town when ... the axeman cometh down Main Street and you're suddenly stirred to spirit's shores. Three people stopped to ask, "What are you so happy about?"

And, come to think of it, you know you're living in a small town when ... people notice ... friends share. ■



It's the largest and longest running studio tour in Haliburton County.

The 21st annual Haliburton County Studio started last weekend, but you'll still have another chance to see the brilliant work of 26 local artists this coming Thanksgiving weekend (Saturday, Oct. 11-Sunday, Oct. 12).

"I saw the potential that there was to establish the Studio Tour in Haliburton County," said Ricki Woods, current Chair of the tour and one of the founding members. "With the artists we have in the community, we saw that we had the potential to do this in 1988."

The Haliburton County Studio Tour is open to full-time residents of the County who have made their own original works of art. On the tour, you'll find a plethora of different types of artwork that use different mediums including paint, jewellery, fabric art, stained glass, stone, wood and pottery.

Each year, the tour that gives the tourist the opportunity to meet each artist continues to grow.

"There are more artists that want to come to come on the tour then we have room for," said Woods.

A new way of further promoting the tour was introduced this year by way of a massive email campaign.

"We sent out over 2,000 emails to advertise this and that was a lot of work," she said.

One of the main goals of the studio tour is to ensure that each artist puts on the best show that they possibly can. To make this happen, each of the artist's applications is reviewed and judged before being accepted on the tour.

To bring out everyone's lively spirits, each artist on the tour is encouraged to decorate their studios, put on demonstrations and serve snacks and refreshments.

Woods is a pottery artist and she's says that about 2,000 people came through her studio last weekend and she expects at least another 1,000 this weekend.

The tour runs from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. this weekend. For brochures with a map of studio locations, visit the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton or the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden. You can also find more information at www.haliburtonstudiotour.on.ca. ■

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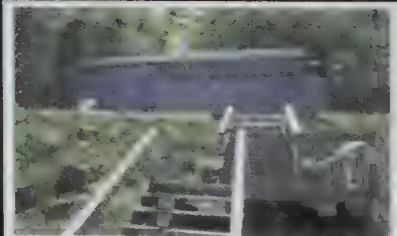
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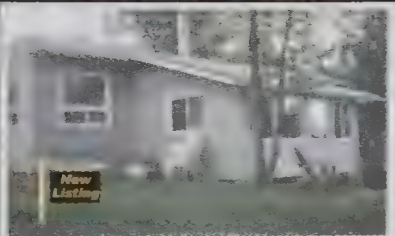
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Lyn Winans
Photojournalist

Is Minden Ready for a Cat House?

“It was suggested that the overall approach taken was one of ‘don’t ask, don’t tell’”

There is a new move afoot in Minden for feral cats. Mary Shepherd from “Animal Outreach, London”, was in Minden Saturday to meet with volunteers interested in developing a local TNR (trap, neuter, release) pilot project to deal with feral cats. TNR is a humane alternative to killing healthy animals that have become feral after being born to pets abandoned by irresponsible owners. Cats are trapped, vaccinated, spayed or neutered and returned to a colony where they will be fed and cared for by concerned volunteers. TNR programs ensure that feral cat populations don’t increase, reduce the likelihood of disease and curtail behaviors such as spraying and fighting. Colonies are most successful if established close to the area where the animals were initially trapped. Assuming enough volunteers come forward, the next hurdle for the pilot project will be procuring a location to house a local cat colony.

Following an information session, the group moved outdoors to unload a cat shelter and several traps, which Shepherd had brought from London. The construction of the shelter was examined, and Ms Shepherd explained the various traps and how each was used. A willing canine friend took on the “cat role” for the demo.

The shelter was built by the London Outreach group with funds donated to the Minden pilot project by the “Best Friends Animal Society” in Kanab, Utah. Negotiations are presently underway for additional money from another American animal rescue organization. “Animal Outreach”, London, has also provided funding to spay and neuter three cats in Highlands East where the feral cat problem has been considerable.

Although the Minden Hills Council supported a six-month trial TNR project, there are no funds available for this year. A financial commitment may be considered during Council’s 2009 budget deliberations after a review of the success of the TNR program. In the past, several thousands of dollars have been paid to have animals trapped and removed. What happened to the cats after they were trapped appears to be a mystery and a topic that most Council members are reluctant to discuss.

I managed to reach three members of Minden Hills Council by telephone, none of whom would talk for attribution. Nevertheless, they did attempt to answer two questions: “What happened to the feral cats of Minden after they were trapped and removed? If they were disposed of, how was this accomplished?”

All three claimed no knowledge of what happened to the cats after they were trapped and removed. One member suspected that they had been “put down”. When asked if they had been taken to a veterinary facility to be euthanized or if they were shot, the councilor did not have an answer. Another claimed that the job was contracted out and it was assumed that things would be “taken care of”. It was suggested that the overall approach taken was one

of “don’t ask, don’t tell”

It would appear that Minden Hills Councillors were put on the spot when confronted with the feral cat problem in town. Many are pet owners and animal lovers themselves, but at the same time had to deal with irate residents who were having property fouled by wandering ferals. Council continues to grapple with a dilemma involving a controversial issue; people are passionate about their property and also about animals, even feral cats. Theirs is not an enviable position, and one might apply the cliché that Minden Hills Councillors remain between a rock and a hard place and human nature being what it is, sometimes it’s easier to not ask, than it is to know the truth.

There is no doubt that there are rate-payers who want the cats removed, regardless of the means, and these same people are not in favour of a local TNR program. The situation brings to mind dumps, jails, low cost housing and group homes, where everyone admits a need, but nobody wants the solution in their backyard. Although “any means” of removal may be acceptable to some people, there are others who would like to know the fate of these animals, and ensure that they are dealt with humanely.

TNR programs are not new. Last week I visited “The Cats of Parliament Hill”. The colony is situated in Ottawa and has been in existence since the late 1970’s. It’s believed that the cats are descendants of mousers that were abandoned after chemicals became a common means of rodent control on the

government site.

The cats are all healthy and cared for by a group of dedicated volunteers. The “Cat Sanctuary” is a constant draw for visitors, many of whom willingly contribute by depositing money into the donation box. Rene Chartrand, 83, is the senior cat keeper. He constructed the lodgings for the cats to resemble the nearby Centre Block of the Parliament Buildings. Chartrand was the recipient of The Humane Society of Canada’s Heroes for Animals Award recognizing his lifetime achievement in caring for animals. It is estimated that the cost to maintain the colony is approximately \$6,000.00 a year. It is not unusual for Chartrand and other volunteers to dip into their personal resources if donations don’t meet the needs of the colony.

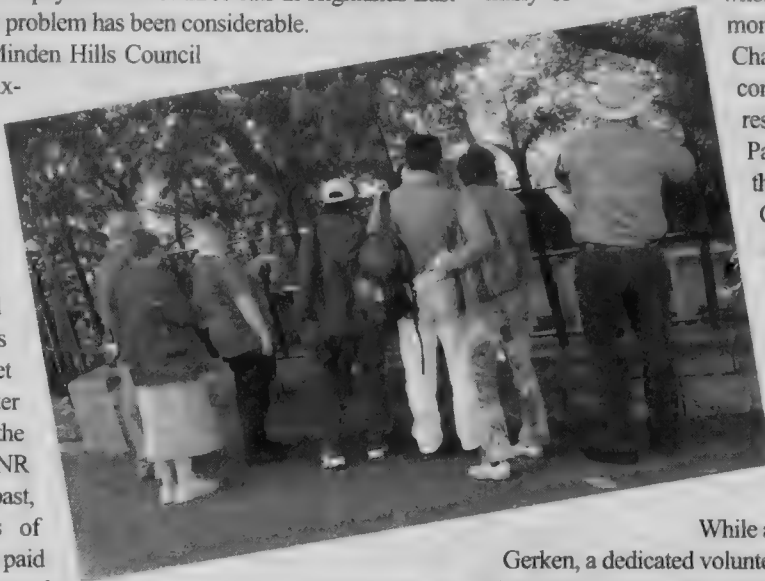
While at the sanctuary we spoke with Klaus

Gerken, a dedicated volunteer, official photographer, and keeper of the blog. Lia, another helper was also in attendance caring for the eight remaining cats and the collection of other creatures that gather at the colony.

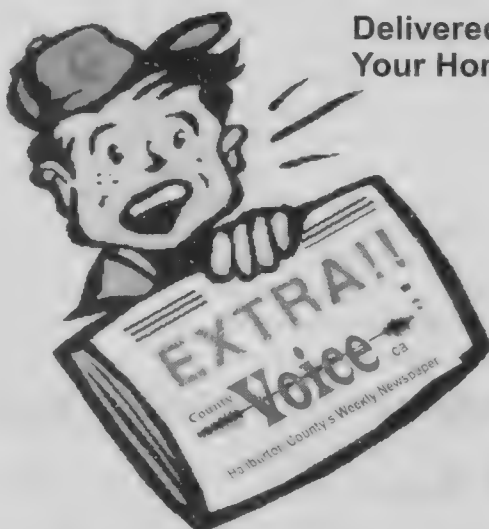
The dedication of the volunteers was immediately obvious. As the cats wandered freely about, and squirrels helped themselves to the cat food, Gerken would call his charges by name and tell us their age and personal history. One could almost sense something akin to paternal pride while listening. One cat, Max, a gray tabby, was undoubtedly a favourite.

Due to the open-mindedness and research of by-law officer, Ken Jones, and the willingness of most council members, Minden Hills has an opportunity to at least give TNR a try. Whether Minden can successfully maintain a cat sanctuary will depend primarily on volunteers. Start-up funding has been provided by animal groups

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I am a pensioner and I volunteered to feed a variety of animals (cats, raccoons, groundhogs, squirrels, pigeons, chickadees and sparrows) replacing Irene Desormeaux when she died in 1987. Since that time, I have always been faithful to my daily obligation to the animals on the Hill even when my beloved wife Rita died during the winter of 1990.

The Federal Government does not contribute financially to this humanitarian cause which costs are more than \$6,000.00 per year. On occasion, tourists and friends will donate food or money to help cover the cost of feeding and caring for the animals.

If you wish to assist me in this humane cause, please deposit your contribution in the donation box, or if you prefer, a donation can be sent to my home address below.

Thank you for your generosity!

The "Catman" of the Hill

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to the south, but without local people prepared to donate time and expertise to the project, Minden may revert to the "don't ask, don't tell" policy of the past

And once again, the fate of each animal will be left to the imagination.

Anyone wishing to help can call 286-4971.

Further information about TNR and the Cats of Parliament Hill can be located at:

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Volunteer Klaus Gerken

All Candidates and the Stanhope Airport

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

"You'll have to convince the local Council that it isn't a good idea." (Dave Switzer)

Candidates for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock could not get by the issue of the proposed Stanhope Airport expansion at the Voice's All Candidates Meeting in Minden on Monday September 29th. For several months rumours have flourished that the Conservative incumbent, Barry Devolin, was not only in support of the project, but was prepared to assist in Algonquin Highlands' quest for federal funding to see the expansion come to fruition. Anyone attending the forum would have heard from Devolin that is definitely not the case.

The question about the airport expansion was raised by Reg Holloway, who lives on Mountain Lake. Holloway said, "There may be an application to the Federal Government for funds for a second runway at Stanhope Airport. The estimated cost is \$3.5 million dollars. If elected will the candidates support the application, can they confirm that they are aware of the strong opposition within the County to the new runway, and will they report this opposition to the government department responsible for dealing with the application for funds?"

As suggested by Terrance Gavan in last week's issue of the Voice, all five candidates managed to 'dodge that whistling bullet.' Each of the candidates put the responsibility for making the decision and seeking funding squarely at the feet of the Algonquin Highlands Council where it belongs. The dodge was in the fact that none of the candidates admitted to any knowledge of opposition to the project even though at least one of them is undoubtedly aware of the rumblings.

While the question was likely aimed at Mr. Devolin, each of the candidates was given an opportunity to respond. Green Party candidate Michael Bell said that the Greens had no specific platform on the issue. Taking a laissez-faire approach he said that overall he would be happy to oppose the expansion as the Green Party leader was not big on airplanes and that their leader, Elizabeth May, was running her whistle stop campaign by train.

Devolin responded that he was aware of the proposal being put forward as well as the animated discussion on whether or not it was a good idea. He spoke of the Building Canada Fund and the opportunity that each municipality will have to apply. "In general I believe that the decision should be made at the local level. I respect the decisions that local politicians make and have said so publicly. There are nine municipalities in this riding and three airports, Stanhope, Lindsay and Peterborough. All three are considering applications under the Building Canada Fund. If the Algonquin Highlands Council wants to make the application I will support their decision."

Devolin went on to say that he also respected the need of residents to make their wishes known. He said it would be inappropriate of him to second guess what local communities should identify as needs. In addition Devolin commented that there seemed to be a misunderstanding that as the MP he is in a position to decide who gets funds when in fact, it is a competitive process with no guarantees that Algonquin Highlands

will get approval.

Dave Switzer, the Christian Heritage candidate who spoke during the forum at length about global warming and Al Gore's work to enlighten the world, said that since Gore had his own personal jet he thought the project might just be OK. Then taking a more serious approach Switzer said that he lived near the airport and wasn't bothered by the air traffic. "I'm not up to date on the concerns or why there is so much opposition, but it comes down to a community problem. You'll have to convince the local Council that it isn't a good idea. They were voted in by locals and must be given some leeway." Switzer did finally say that he preferred to leave the airport as it is. "It's a small community and I don't see the need for a larger airport, but that's only my personal opinion."

NDP Candidate Stephen Yardy said that he supported the municipality's decision, adding that as an MP he would have no dictatorial powers to deal with the issue. "If there is a problem with the airport you must lobby your municipal government, sign petitions and do what you can to change their decision."

Liberal Candidate Marlene White was the last to respond and agreed that it is a local issue and that is where the decision making must take place. "The reality is that it is a passionate issue but the local politicians were elected to make the decisions. (If elected) I would want to keep informed on the issue, but in the end it is a local, not federal, issue."

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River Kings Trim The Fat - Add New Players

Sutherland is Keeper and a 'Keeper' - Hunter Excels But Kings Drop Two - Bucks 6 - Kings 1 - Bobcats 5 - Kings 2

Terrance Gavan
Sports Editor

Goalie Robert Sutherland (Danbury, Conn.) of Perk Valley High School and the Valley Forge Minutemen was a late cut on the training camp roster of the Quebec Remparts. Set adrift by the Q league, Sutherland last week made his way to Minden.

Google that trip and you'll find that the distance in clicks is not nearly as long as the gap that forms in the heart. And the heart is where this game of hockey plays out. You take you licks on the ice, but most coaches will just point to the chest and tell you: "It's a long way from the central mass; miles removed from heart."

Heart is not something Robert Sutherland is short on. We found that out last weekend. (Kings dropped two games losing 6-1 to Brock Bucks on the road Saturday, and 5-2 to Elliot Lake at home on Sunday.)

Fans in attendance at Sunday's contest against the Bobcats can confirm that Sutherland, the new Kings 'keeper' is first and foremost a "keeper."

And yes, okay, the Greater Metro Hockey League is not the Q. And we can agree, it has to be disappointing for a young man to get the nodded word from a major junior team. Especially when, as in Sutherland's case, you were, well, just that close, one foot propped in the door.

But give kudos and a huge load of DAP to this young kid from Connecticut. He made the move to Minden and the Greater Metro Junior A Hockey League (GMHL) without complaint. Goaltenders are like that. Resilient. Goalies are like catchers. They march to the separate beat of a disconnected drum. Johnny

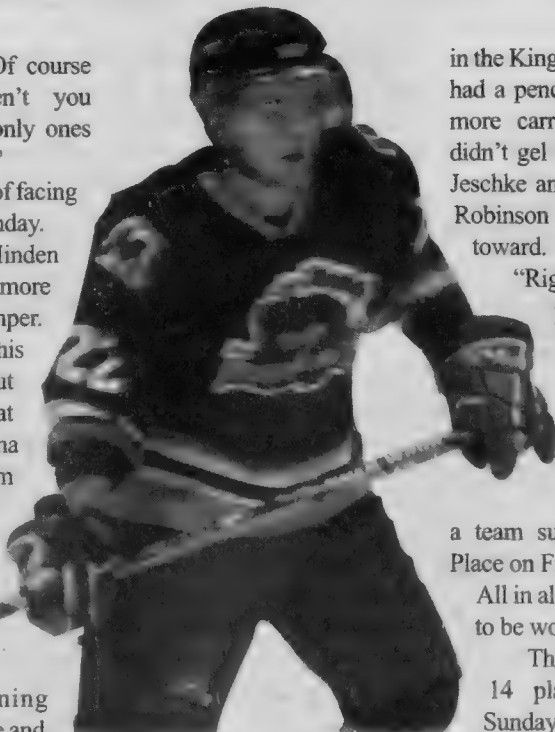
Bench once said: "Of course we're crazy. Haven't you noticed? We're the only ones facing the other way."

Sutherland did a lot of facing the other way last Sunday.

He comes to Minden River Kings with more roar than whimper. Sutherland made his new home-town debut last Sunday evening at the SG Nesbitt Arena against the best team in the GMHL and he manufactured some magic. Stacked pads,

discerning eye, quick glove and cat-quick, Sutherland is worth the price of admission.

He faced 23 shots in the first period alone. He displayed an uncanny knack for the padded spread and there were times there in the first period when the



former
Valley

Forge Minuteman must have felt like his namesakes. The volleys came and the volleys went. The Kings played to a 0-0 draw after one period. Paul Revere, on some ethereal plain, near Bunker Hill, was smiling.

Sutherland joins a team that sees itself in a gigantic time shift right now.

Last Sunday evening the Kings faced off against the slick feet, pretty pop and shifty quick of the league's prepossessing powerhouse, the Elliot Lake Bobcats. The Bobcats are currently almost undefeated and sport a fantastic 8-0-2 record. (The Bobcats have two overtime losses, but GMHL rewards those losses akin to a tie, giving a point to the loser and two points to the winner)

People will tell you. "Nothing good ever comes out of Elliot Lake." People are wrong. The Bobcats are pretty darn good. And last week they came out of Elliot Lake in 7 cars and a trailer, bus problems forcing them into a nightmarish 7-hour road trip home after the game on Sunday evening.

The Kings are back in a rebuilding mode of sorts. According to head coach Mike Jeschke, they had a little enforced housecleaning, trimming the team of some fat, or in this case, some fat cats.

Gone are apparent problem children, Kevin Moderer, Derek Rosas and goaltender Jeremy Schaefer.

Jeschke said the housecleaning was necessary to remove some sour influence from the dressing room. Of the three, Moderer will be most missed. The Austrian product was ostensibly the most physically gifted player

in the Kings' inventory, but he had a penchant for less pass, more carry, something that didn't gel with what coaches Jeschke and assistant Brooks Robinson were building toward.

"Right now, we've got players who really want to be here," said Jeschke in an impromptu interview on Main Street in Haliburton after a team supper at McKecks Place on Friday evening.

All in all, the changes seem to be working.

The Kings only had 14 players dressed on Sunday night and that obviously took a toll on the beleaguered crew. Local blueliner Lane Schmid, team captain Toby Kathan and goalie Robert Randles were all injured last weekend, but Jeschke said that those three should be ready to go by the middle of this week. Local addition Greg Davis dressed again last weekend and that helped to shore up some of the numbered deficiencies. The Kings also added Adam Freeman, Jeremy Wadachee, David Igarchee, Gerry Dick, Ville Touhino, and Joel Heikila.

Brett Meyers assumed captain's duties in Kathan's absence and he teamed up with local hero Devin Hunter to play a massive amount of minutes on regular shifts, power plays and in penalty killing situations. Hunter had probably his best game of his young season, mitigated by the fact that he played most of the game in an unaccustomed blueliner role. Jeschke said after the game that Hunter, self-effacing, unselfish and obviously multi-talented, just went out and assumed his new job with typical aplomb. "He may have found something here tonight," said Jeschke. "He was a standout on defense and he just played great tonight."

A local from the bustling metropolis of Gooderham, Hunter is rapidly asserting himself as a force and a team leader. He took some critical faceoffs, scoured the blueline, made some head's up passes and perhaps most important, seldom failed to finish the check. He's a crowd favorite for a reason. The kid goes and goes and doesn't quit. He presents pop, plunk and spunk on a team that is still laboring to find its niche.

Indeed it was Hunter who scored the game's first goal, hopping down ice and following up on an Igarchee try to whistle a low drive stickside past Bobcat goaltender Shawn Buckley. The goal, just 38 seconds into the second frame put the Kings up 1-0 in the contest. Just three minutes later the Kings pressed that advantage on a Meyers marker set up by Hunter.

The 2-0 advantage held up until the nine minute mark in the second when Cameron Walsh finally solved the Sutherland puzzle with a glove side drive. The Bobcats responded to that momentum-shifter with another goal on a two-on-one pass and go play finished by Bobcat forward Tom Rush.

The Cats finished their comeback with a goal in the final minute of the second period. The eventual game winner was scored by Matt Roges off a, bang-bang effort completed on a cross ice puck that deflected off a Minden player and past Sutherland, who had no chance.

Rush notched his second goal at 9:34 of the third and the final goal was given to TJ Stonlez after his pass deflected off another Minden player and into the net.

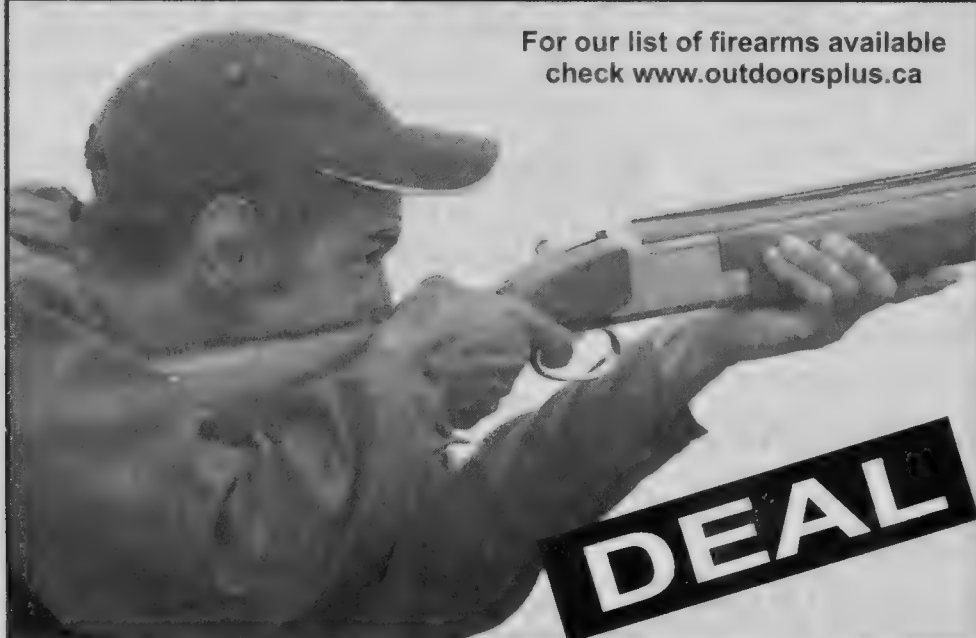
The final score was in no way indicative of the game itself. Jeschke found some solace in that. "Two goals off our own players ... that definitely hurts." He also mentioned that the numbers game also played a factor, especially in the late going. "They had 21 players dressed and we had 14," said Jeschke. He added that they will be looking at some players coming in this week and that Schmid, Kathan and Randles should all be back by this weekend.

"Overall that's the best team in the league we played tonight and we were up 2-0, so yes I'm pretty happy with the way our guys played tonight," said Jeschke. He also gave full DAP to Sutherland, who seems to fill a pretty important niche as the Kings prepare for the middle section of the GMHL schedule. "Rob had a great game," said Jeschke, adding that two "own goals" and a few neutral zone turnovers hung Sutherland out to dry on four of the five goals.

The Kings road game against Espanola slated for tomorrow night (Friday) has been rescheduled. Minden plays host to the Deseronto Storm on Sunday, October 12. Game time is 6 pm at the SG Nesbitt Arena. ■

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Red Hawk Soccer Drops Two to Thomas Aquinas Titans

Soccer is a game of ebb and flow. Momentum shifts on a whim.

Both Haliburton High Red Hawk soccer teams experienced some of that teetering tide last Monday in games against the visiting St. Thomas Aquinas Titans.

The seniors dropped their game by a narrow 4-3 margin and the junior team lost 5-2. Both teams fell behind early before rebounding with some resilient offensive flurries.

The Hawks, a double A high school, play in a league peppered with triple A schools, and their seasons have reflected that discrepancy.

The seniors are 2-5 on their season and the juniors have yet to win a game. However, the vagaries of the scheduling situation, and the dearth of double A schools means that both teams will be advancing to the playoffs.

The senior Hawks dug themselves into a very deep hole early, in their game against the visiting St. Thomas Aquinas Titans. They trailed 2 nil at the half and the Titans stretched that lead to three off a misplayed corner kick early in the second half.

Now a three-goal advantage in footy is usually an insurmountable margin, especially when it's backed up by a strong backfield unit. Lindsay's Titans are very strong defensively, their twin fullbacks both blessed with large talents for clearance. Strong kicking and quick challenges served to thwart most Red Hawk attacks in the first 50 minutes of the game.

Red Hawk through balls were challenged early and defended by huge sweeping return kicks downfield. The Titans used a quick counter game to nullify most of the early Red Hawk advances. St Thomas was able to carry most of the play in the first and early sections of the second half.

However, the Hawks seemed to find a second life shortly after the Titans third unanswered goal in the second half. Talented forward Yusuke Sakai took the ball right side of the Titan goalkeeper, and beat him cleanly on a blistered shot that whistled low past the Titan keeper.

That seemed to rejuvenate the flagging spirits of the Hawks. Shortly after that another counter attack past Titan defenders left a ball dangling and spinning tantalizingly on the Titan keeper's line. The ball was revolving out of the crease when Red Hawk striker Jeff Kraft suddenly emerged from a crowd of defenders. Kraft made no mistake, beating the keeper and defenders to the squatting duck and he buried the ball deep into twine to pull Haliburton back into the contest.

However, that momentum shift was nullified when Haliburton keeper Adam Van Nood was tagged with a foul in the penalty area as he challenged a Titan striker for the ball. The controversial call off of an incidental bump resulted in a penalty kick and subsequent goal. Van Nood was a strong presence in the comeback. He challenged all balls quickly and advanced the ball superbly to start a number of Hawk counter attacks in the second half.

Give the Hawks credit. Down 4-2 late in the second half, after a disheartening penalty area infraction, the Hawks refused to quit. Forward Cody Donaldson



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Hodgson Returns to Battalion after Protracted Stay with Canucks

Haliburton Cottager Inks Three-Year Deal with Canucks

Cody Hodgson, the 10th pick overall in last June's NHL entry draft signed a contract with the Vancouver Canucks shortly before being relegated back to the Brampton Battalion of the Ontario Junior Hockey League.

Hodgson, 18, a Haliburton cottager who got his hockey start in the Highlands minor hockey system, inked a three-year entry-level deal for the rookie cap of \$875,000 US per season.

"It feels great, it's nice to have the support and know that the team believes in you and they're willing to pay you the money," Hodgson said following Sunday's morning skate at GM Place. "My agent, Don Meehan, and the team did a good job with the negotiations. We feel it's a fair price and the team does, too."

They showed him the money and sent him down. But he'll be back and for now, Vancouver's loss, Brampton's gain. Emails were flying from the vicinity of the Battalion's website, and the mood is definitely upbeat, as the Troop awaits the return of their team leader and triple threat. Hodgson's smarts, penalty killing, and power play acumen have been missed and Battalion coach Stan Butler is eagerly awaiting Hodgson's return.

"It was surprising news today, especially after he had just signed," said Butler, via the Battalion website. "We were expecting him to stay there for some games."

Hodgson, whose return plans were unknown, will join a Troop team that opens a three-game Ontario Hockey League road trip against the Windsor Spitfires at 7:05 p.m. Thursday.

"This is a tough part of the schedule for us, and getting a player like Cody back will really help us out," said Butler.

The Battalion, who lost 3-0 to the host Sarnia Sting on Saturday night, saw their won-lost-extended record slip to 2-3-0. The Battalion has scored 12 goals in five games for an average of 2.4 goals a game, the fourth-lowest average in the league.

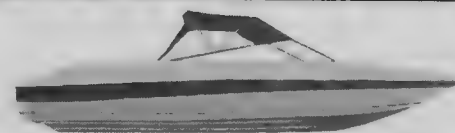
Hodgson will be joining long time friend and teammate Matt Duchene, a Haliburton native, who has been forced to take on an increased leadership role this season. It's expected that Hodgson will lighten that load considerably.

Duchene leads the Troop scoring parade with 2 goals and 3 assists in 5 games.

Butler is hopeful that Hodgson will give the Troop a much needed bump this week and says that the cut from the Canucks is disappointing, but will give Hodgson a chance to perhaps play on a Team Canada Junior squad this year in Ottawa.

"It's a big adjustment for players when their focus is solely on making the NHL. But at times like this you need to review your goals. He'll get a chance to be a key guy for Canada and have the opportunity to play in his home country for that tournament," said Butler. "That'll be a great experience and that should be one of his main goals coming back, and I'm sure another of his goals will be to lead this team through the season and into the playoffs."

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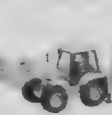
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We call it sport, but advocates delve deliberately into an all-encompassing mantra of respect, advocacy and gentle teaching. Funakoshi said that his students should be courteous and receptive of criticism. Funakoshi did not consider it unusual for a devotee to use Karate in a real physical confrontation no more than perhaps once in a lifetime. "Karate is properly applied only in those rare situations in which one really must either down another or be downed by him."

The tenets of the Karate regimen was in fulsome display last Sunday in Haliburton as clubs from Haliburton and the GTA competed in a Haliburton-sponsored Shiai at the Dysart Community Center.

Sensei Michael Chapman, who is a long time organizer, teacher and Karate practitioner, said that Shiai, literally translated, means a meeting of family and friends.

Chapman, Sensei at the local Haliburton Kai Shin club, says that the 150 or so people gathered at last weekend's Shiai or tournament came together to learn and partake in an extended gathering. Respect, learning and camaraderie are intrinsic to the Shiai, said Chapman.

"There are no losers at a Karate tournament," said Chapman. "When you learn, you win in Karate, and sometimes we learn more by losing a bout in a tournament."

The Shiai drew a remarkable number of competitors, some from as far away as Mississauga. Chapman said the organizers owed thanks to the local group of volunteers who made sure coffee was flowing and the BBQ was hot. He also gave a very huge shout out to Kim and Mike Varty who donated all of the medals handed out at the event. "We couldn't run a tournament like this without help from a lot of people and we'd like to thank everyone who contributed," said Chapman, who also oversees the local Kai Shin Karate Dojo on Highland Street, next to the Subway in Haliburton.

The tourney judged competitors on two levels: Kata, or imposed routine, and Kumite, non-contact sparring.

Local competitors fared quite well at the meet said Chapman.

Sid MacKeigan joined the Dojo with his grandson Owen MacKeigan a few years back and they have progressed together through the ranks. Sid placed 4th in his Kata and 2nd in Kumite, while Owen was 3rd in Kata and placed 1st in his Kumite. Mitchell Ayres was 3rd in Kata, Luc Boisvert was 2nd in Kata and 4th in Kumite; Liam McKinnon placed 2nd in Kata and 3rd in sparring; Liam McCracken was 2nd in Kata and 1st in Kumite; Lauren Urquhart was 2nd in Kumite and 4th in Kata; Dan Boisvert placed third in both regimens; Alana Coty was 4th in Kata and 1st in Kumite; her mother Caroline Dahlke was 4th in Kata and 1st in the sparring; Katie Woudstra was 2nd in Kata and 1st in Kumite; Jakob Hooyenga was 3rd in his Kata; Felix Scuhr placed 1st in Kata and Kumite; Sarah Varty was 2nd in Kata and 4th in Kumite; Cody Hunter placed 1st in both Kata and Kumite; Izac Reid was 2nd in Kata and 1st in sparring; Seamus Lynch came 3rd in Kata and 1st in Kumite; Lane Brohm placed 2nd in both events; and Greg Kennedy captured two third place finishes in Kata and Kumite.

Sensei Mike Chapman said that there were no significant injuries, which he classifies as the benchmark for a well-run tourney.

The Kai Shin Haliburton Dojo will be traveling to Mississauga for a large Shiai on December 5th.

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Annual General Meeting Highlights Areas of Focus for Organization

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) started off their annual general meeting on Sunday, Sept. 21 a little differently with a brief moment of silence to pay tribute to Glen Blair and Keith Harrison – two dedicated volunteers at the fish hatchery and longtime members of the HHOA who both passed away this year.

"Everywhere (in the hatchery) are their footprints," said HHOA President Keith Hodgson. "It has been an honour to have them work here."

On that note, Hodgson commended all those who have been a part of the organization by volunteering their services.

"There are some great people here," he added. "There are a lot of hours spent on the phone and on the highway, going from meeting to meeting. Even the partnering and the networking between all the different committees...I don't know how you all do it," he said. "You work 365 days and every time you meet someone you influence them. The hours you put in are unreal."

Recently, the HHOA welcomed Leora Berman, a new member to the association who was hired as the group's Project Coordinator. The HHOA received a Trillium Grant a year and a half ago to create the position.

"I was hired to do a business plan and a strategy for you and assess what's going on in terms of funding resources," explained Berman who praised HHOA members for their dedication to the group.

"What I saw when I first came is that here is a one of a kind in terms of an organization in Haliburton with its own facility and a dedicated membership that has changed and enhanced the resources in Haliburton."

Berman said that she has examined ways of bringing new members and board members to the organization and methods for encouraging media to come to certain HHOA initiatives.

One of the big campaigns she plans on launching will see a large fish sign placed in front of the hatchery to indicate the fundraising progress of the group. The goal she says is to reach the \$200,000 mark.

To date, Berman has managed to collect a \$5,000 grant from the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) and a \$25,000 grant from Wildlife Habitat Canada.

"That money is going to support some staff in here (hatchery) and will also be used to enhance the grounds. I've got landscaping that's being donated. We're going to enhance the trail out front and do a bunch of other really nice esthetic things."

Berman also said that she has identified various different types of funding that could potentially be available to the HHOA.

"There are different tiers of funding. We've got philanthropy which general donations from the community. There are funding drives that we can engage in. I'd like to see a 'loonie for a lake trout' at all grocery stores. I've identified all the grants that would be appropriate for HHOA and the types of projects for those."

Following Leora's progress update, a special presentation was made to Bill Hutson, a former area supervisor and district manager for the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR).

In a phone interview with The Voice, Hodgson said that Hutson has been very supportive of the HHOA over the years. Since retiring from the MNR, Hutson has become a member of the group.

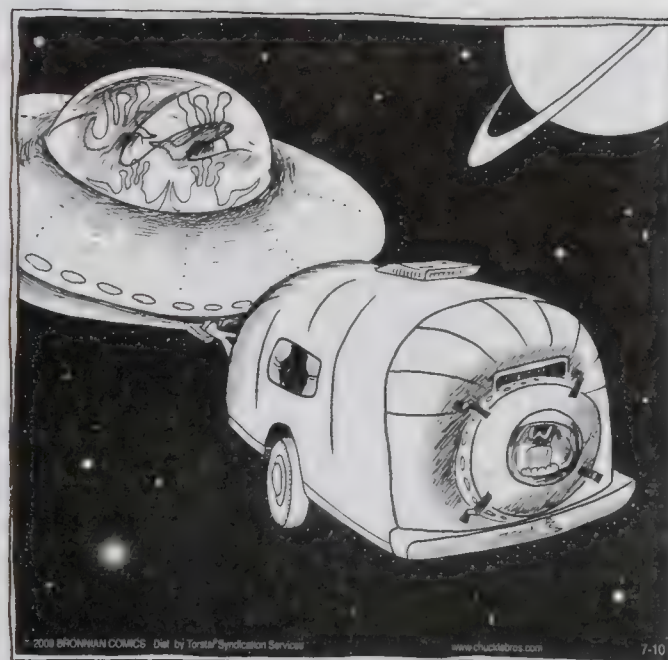
Also at the meeting, an update on fish spawning at the hatchery was given by hatchery chairman Don MacLeod.

"Rainbow Trout were quite successful. We had 500 in here and they grew exceptionally well. We did have difficulty with Walleye production this year and we can't quite figure out why. The biologists are looking at that. We hatched a total of over 100,000 fish," said MacLeod.

After the meeting, an informative presentation on gun legislation and licensing laws was put on by Const. Mark Chalk and Andrea Eden of the Chief Firearms office.

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1992. Today, the HHOA has 250 members committed to the sustainable management of natural resources.

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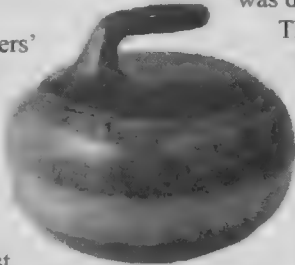
Laurie Scott M.P.P. to Present \$15,000 Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant Cheque to the Minden Curling Club

On October 9, 2008, Laurie Scott, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock will be at the Minden Curling Club to present the club with an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant of \$15,000.00 towards the purchase and installation of a new desiccant dehumidifier for the ice area.

Many members will be present at the Members' Open House, including four junior curlers who were the top point scorers in the Junior House League over the season. They were the first to have their names engraved on the Juniors Rock trophy and were presented with Certificates of Recognition for their Achievement by Scott.

Curlers in Minden have been plagued in past years by excessively frosty ice and by bumps on the ice. The bumps were caused when the high humidity in the air condensed on the steel beams in the ceiling above the ice surface and melted to drip down onto the ice surface. The old compressor dehumidifier was not energy efficient

and was not capable of reducing the humidity enough especially when there were extremes of the temperature range outside. Frosty ice meant that rock delivery was difficult and inconsistent.



The new dehumidifier was installed during the summer months and the ice surface is now being prepared. Everyone is looking forward to an exciting year of curling with a new, great ice surface.

Both members of the club and visitors participating in bonspiels will all benefit from the Ontario Trillium Foundation grant because of improved ice conditions that will make game play a more overall enjoyable experience.

For more information contact Pauline Plooard at 705 286-1590 or Steve Robson at 705 286-4724. ■



Dear Abby
by Abigail Van Buren

"How old are you"

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to "Andrew" for five years. I consider him to be my best friend. We have known each other for six years. I am 38, and Andrew is 33. My problem is Andrew thinks I'm 34. I didn't exactly tell him my true age way back when, and he believes I am four years younger than I actually am. We want children, and I know that this is the time to come clean. But I'm not sure how my husband will react when he hears the news, and I'm afraid he may leave me. I have prayed about this, and it seems the best course is the truth. What should I do? -- YOUNGER THAN MY YEARS

DEAR YOUNGER: It would be better to tell your husband the truth while your biological clock is still ticking, rather than wait until the alarm goes off and your ovaries shut down.

Because you want to start a family, this is something you need to also discuss with your gynecologist because a pregnancy after the age of 35 can be considered "high risk," and age can also have an impact on a woman's ability to conceive. If Andrew loves you, I doubt that he'll leave you -- but if you lied on your marriage license, you committed fraud, and he may have the grounds to do so.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 15, and class pictures are coming soon -- again. I think I look better in photographs when I am not smiling. If I don't smile for my school picture, though, the photographers make a fuss over it and insist upon taking it over and over until I give in and smile. I explain why I don't like to smile for pictures, but they won't listen. What can I say to them that will get them to let me look the way I want in my pictures? By the way, my parents don't care what my school picture looks like because we get professional portraits done as a family each year. -- "SAY CHEESE" IN FOLSOM, CALIF.

DEAR "SAY CHEESE": The only thing worse than a scowl is a smile that looks forced. If you prefer not to open your mouth and "grin," that should be your privilege. There is a compromise you can strike. For a more pleasant expression without "smiling," just lift the corners of your eyes and mouth a quarter of an inch. (Try it in front of a mirror.) That's what I recommend you do this year.

McKeck's Golf Tourney Earns \$9,000 Toward Local Charities

For over a decade now, local golfers have been marking their calendars.

The end of the golf season in the Highlands is now firmly attached to the McKeck's Place Tournament

Last Sunday, Walt McKecknie, proprietor and owner of McKeck's place in Haliburton, welcomed some old friends back to his restaurant to play a little golf, share some laughs and give back to the community.

The annual golf tournament drew 97 golfers this year and raised in excess of \$9,000, all of which will be headed to a number of local charities, said McKeck's affable manager and events person Karen Frybort.

The marquee player and special guest this year was Michael Burgess, the renowned Canadian tenor.

Burgess is known for his work on a broad pastiche of media including, television, film, recording, and performance. He first came to national prominence as Jean Valjean (Les Mis), his stage presence and talent captivating audiences and media in performance after flawless performance.

From Shakespeare to O'Neill, Cole Porter to Stephen Sondheim,



he has received critical acclaim. A gifted and enthusiastic actor, Michael continues on stage, on disc and in television.

Frybort says that Burgess got things started at Blairhampton Golf Club last Sunday with a stirring rendition of Oh Canada.

"Walt said that when Michael started into Oh Canada, 'even the birds stopped singing,'" said Frybort.

Later in the evening, when things started heading into denouement, Burgess wowed patrons with a stunning and ethereal rendition of Danny Boy. The Irish tenors know how

to open, and they certainly know how to close it down. "It was beautiful," said Frybort, who added that Danny Boy formed a poignant backdrop on a hugely successful event.

Big prize in the live auction was a night out at the Air Canada center in the Alumni Box, a night hosted by Walt. It went for \$950.

Frybort said that monies will be split among a number of deserving charities and local groups, including Haliburton Minor Hockey and Figure Skating, Cottage Dreams, the School Lunch Program, a donation to a Living Water initiative and the local youth center as well as other deserving groups in the area. ■

Pictured above: Singer Michael Burgess with Walt McKecknie

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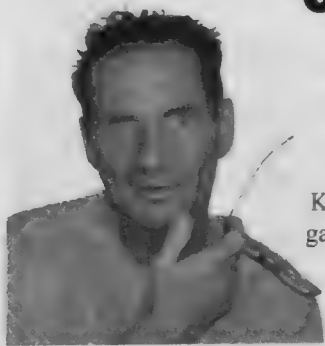
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Kudos to a Nevada jury who gave 110 percent as they stepped to the plate, going long, issuing marching orders to the game weary gladiator, Orenthal James Simpson, a once vaunted

giant, playing out a string. OJ was out-muscled, out-coached and forced to swallow a bitter pill. Smash mouthed and battered, OJ Simpson just heard the refrains of a large mezzo-soprano twittering off in the distance. She's singing Jailhouse Rock. Elvis has left the courthouse.

All right, all right, have I beaten this moribund horse enough already? OJ Simpson that most loathsome of sports clichés will be shuffling his hackneyed, weary, bleary life off to San Quentin. Somewhere on another plain, Nicole Brown and Ronald Goldman – the two people OJ most assuredly murdered in 1995 – are sitting in a luxury box, having just uncorked a magnum of Dom Perignon. Glasses tinkled as verdict thumped.

Ronald Goldman's dad Fred smiled, stomped his feet and clapped his hands shortly after the verdict came down and said he was very happy to see that OJ would be headed to prison, albeit about 14 years late. "We're absolutely thrilled to see the potential that he could serve the rest of his life in jail where the scumbag belongs," said Fred Goldman. The sentiments were echoed on a number of levels right across America and the world.

Maybe Johnny Cochran Jr is rolling in his grave. He wrote once in "A Lawyer's Life" a book about his life: "I read everything that I could find about Thurgood Marshall and confirmed that a single dedicated man could use the law to change society." Yes well, Johnny, my poor dead wee son, amazing how a little money can serve to knock one's sense of morality right off the rails. Cochran made a living dwelling on the blunt edge of a supercilious view of the American judicial system. It's what happens when one goes in search of fame, fortune, loot and bling to the exclusion of an overweening sense of right. Justice is a lot of things, but Plato will tell you that it is not accomplished under network's harsh glare in \$4000 Armani suits. OJ couldn't call on his long dead friend on this one. A thug once and a

thug again, the Juice failed to skate this time round.

An all-white jury of nine women and three men unanimously found Simpson guilty of all 12 charges after more than 13 continuous hours of deliberations, which started 13 years to the day after he was cleared of the infamous double murder of his ex-wife and her friend. This time round the former Buffalo Bill running back reverted to loutish form when he kidnapped two sports memorabilia dealers by holding them in a room at the Palace Station hotel and casino in Las Vegas.

Rumors that what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas are apparently unfounded. Imagine that. This time OJ eschewed knife in favor of the gun. Escalating violence and descending morals and an implacable sense that he is better than us, that he is somehow above the law, finally turned to an Oliver's twist. The brute, brought to heel, at long last. Smugness erased with gavel's bump. Three cheers and stadium wave. Bye, bye Juice, you "scumbag."

Underlining the whole sad scene is the notion that we had to wait so long for justice. Further burdensome is the notion that this guy was allowed to spend an intervening 13 years

of his life on the green links and sun lined beaches, while ignoring demands that he pay due diligence to a civil suit won by the Goldman's.

Like any minor hoodlum, OJ transferred funds, danced around commitments, made gilt-lined plans and even wrote that offensive tome "If I Did It", a book ostensibly aimed at placating his own giant ego in some bloody and psychotic quixotic journey detailing an admission of his guilt with a purported intent to raise a boatload of cash. It was an incredibly stupid premise and a totally bizarre launch into self-absorption on the level of a Hannibal Lector. OJ is a sociopath. He belongs in jail. Bye, bye Juice, you Fifth Avenue gangster.

Every now and again, something happens to restore our faith in human nature. To affirm that what goes around will eventually, given time, come back around. Last week, destiny called out to OJ Simpson on the most fundamental of levels.

Sometimes it takes years for the inexorable wheels to grind out a selection. Or a comeback. Or the fitting close to a life spent on the hard thin edge of psychosis. What did OJ in? Simple. Just write down the first letter of each paragraph above. Life is full of surprises. Justice is not. ■

Senior and Junior Soccer Squads Preparing For Playoffs

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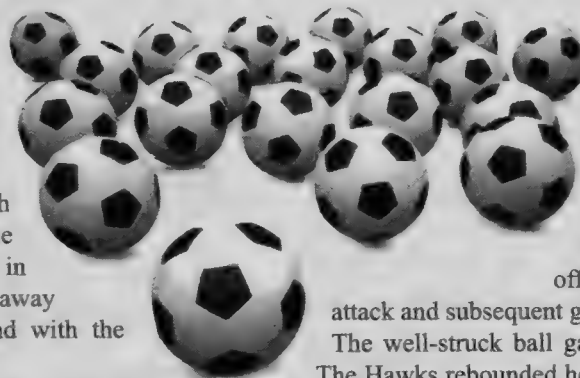
led a speedy counter insurgency downfield finally taking a superb high bouncing through ball off his head for a deftly placed goal that lofted just out of reach of the charging Titan keeper. The nifty header put the Hawks back in the game, but the clock clicked away before the Hawks could respond with the tying tally.

Coach Rob Gervais was happy after the game. "This was an encouraging game," said Gervais. "We were down 3-0 and they didn't hang their heads and they didn't quit. We played well and we came back in the second half."

He added that the all-in effort will sustain them as they move on to season's final two games and also prepare for the Double A playoffs, which coincidentally will be played against the Titans. The two teams have split their twin bill home-at-home series and so Gervais said that home field advantage for the Titan Red Hawk rematch will hinge upon their separate records against triple A teams.

The Red Hawk junior team rode a teeter-totter in their Titan match-up as well.

Down 2-1 at the half, the Hawks were pressured early in the second half by a feisty Titan squad which had a significant numbers advantage, an advantage they used effectively through the insertion of wholesale substitutions



at key intervals. The Hawks have encountered some injury problems of late and came to the game with the bare minimum of 11 players and no substitutes.

Just five minutes into the second half the Titans pressure offense resulted in a left hand side

attack and subsequent goal off of a high whistling drive. The well-struck ball gave the Titans a 3-1 advantage. The Hawks rebounded however, when right side forward Curtis Hutchings made a very impressive run, surprising his defender before finally burying a well-placed push just past a sprawling Titan keeper.

However, another core of substitutes brought some fresh Titan boots to the table and they managed to ride that fresh wave of imported legs to two quick hitting scores late in the second half.

The 5-2 final margin means that the red Hawks will be traveling to Lindsay for their Double A playoff against the Titans. Jesse Schmidt had the other Hawk goal.

Coach Bob Schmidt said he was happy with his team's play, especially the way they rallied in that second half. The Hawks are winless, but as Schmidt said later, this is a young squad. "We had a few good pushes up the field," said Schmidt.

The juniors have two more games remaining in their season before the playoffs. ■

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Red Hawks Football Teams Earn Split Against Norwood

Seniors Win 28-14 – Juniors Drop Close 15-14 Tilt

Terrance Gavan

Sports Editor

Haliburton High Red Hawks senior coach Derek Little doesn't mince words describing a pivotal win against Norwood High Knights last Thursday.

"We played smash mouth football," chuckles Little.

Well, that's what you do when the wind's blowing and your aerial game is still under investigation.

You run and you run and you run until the other team finds a way to shut it down. Only then do you go to the air and even then, the escalated assault is utilized as decoy, a way to keep the defense honest.

The senior Red Hawks pushed their season's record to a perfect 3-0 with a 28-14 win over the Norwood Knights, a win that guarantees the Hawks a playoff berth, but more important, a win that solidifies, in the minds and hearts, the notion that the system is working.

Little and co-coach Tim Davies preach the smash mouth, but they also are heavily invested in the efficacy of the plan. The plan this year is to continue to improve right up to the pivotal final game, home field showdown against perennial powerhouse Holy Cross next Thursday. The Hawk junior and senior squads are on the road in Peterborough against Adam Scott today. The Hawks juniors lost a very close 15-14 decision to Norwood in the other half of the double header last Thursday. (So close that the game is under league review pending a decision on a controversial single point awarded to Norwood.)

The seniors again relied on the multi-dimensional talents of running back Brock Brown. Brown scored twice and actually threw another touchdown on an option play. The tall, talented and sure-handed Josh Townsend also scored twice, hauling in the aforementioned Brown toss and scoring on another pitch from quarterback Nathan Woodcock.

"Brock I would guess had about 200 yards in the game and he played great," said Little, who added that the passing attack also gained some prominence last Thursday in spite of the windy conditions and threatening skies.

"We threw the ball pretty well and we were really impressed with Nathan who showed a lot more composure out there last week," said Little.

He also gave huge DAP to his defense. "I don't think Norwood had 20 yards of rushing in the whole game." He was a little concerned however with a few costly plays. The Hawks snapped the ball high over the head of the punter in the first half, a miscue that led to a Knight possession deep in Hawk territory. That turnover led to the first touchdown of the game. "We had two turnovers in the first half and one of them cost us," said Little. But overall he was pretty pleased with the way the troops responded. Woodcock proved he can throw the ball effectively even under less than desirable conditions and Brown brings another threat to the table with that threat to throw off of the well-disguised halfback option.

Little was also pretty pleased with the unveiling of a new weapon, the talented toe of new placekicker Luke Watson.

"We tried him out and he proved he can kick the ball," said

Little. Watson kicked two converts and the Red Hawks scored their other points on a two-point conversion.

If anything did concern Little it was the late touchdown scored in the dying minutes of the game.

"The defense gave up a long TD pass with three minutes left in the game and that was a wake-up call for some of these guys who were sitting back on the play, thinking we had the game won," said Little. He said that it was a little disconcerting for the coaching staff, who may use it as a talking point this week in practice.

"We let some defensive responsibilities fall apart on that long pass last Thursday and even though the guys get it, we will definitely be looking at options this week to make sure things like that don't happen again," said Little. He says today's game against Adam Scott will be their toughest test of the year and the coaches will be assessing just how things stack.

"Little mistakes we made earlier in the season will cost us against teams like Adam Scott and Holy Cross," said Little. He added that overall though, the Hawks probably played their best game of the season last Thursday.

Adam Scott will present a benchmark for just how good this Red Hawk team really is.

Junior coaches Ron Yake and Bruce Griffith will be taking a very young team to Adam Scott today. Yake says that the 15-14 loss to Norwood last Thursday was a little heartbreaking. He did add that a controversial play on a fumbled ball is being appealed to the league.

Yake said that the Hawks fumbled the ball deep in their own end. The ball was touched by a scrum of players and finally recovered by the Hawks after it had rolled into the endzone.

"We believe that the rule book states that it's no point, but the refs finally ruled that it was a point," said Yake.

If the league rules that it was a bad interpretation of the rules, the game would likely be reassessed as a tie. No matter, said Yake, the bottom line remains that the Red Hawk juniors are now 2-1 and looking at probably their toughest test of the season in the prepossessing might of always-strong Adam Scott.

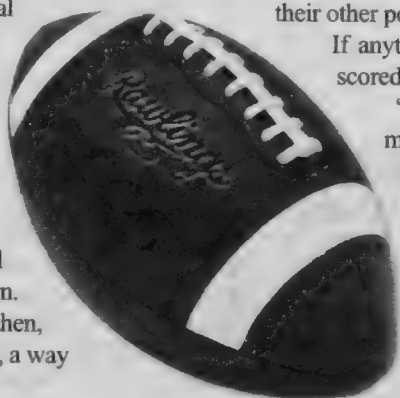
"Norwood definitely was the best team we've faced this season and now we've got Adam Scott," smiled Yake. It don't get any easier. But then again, if it was easy would it still be this fun?

Norwood took a 9-6 lead into half time and the Hawks managed a significant rally in the late stages of the second half, which, dependant upon the league decision, either fell just short or propelled them to a controversial tie.

"We made some mistakes early in the first half and that led to their TD," said Yake. Of course the other mistake was the fumble near the goal line. Norwood scored twice, converted once, punted for a single and added that contentious single off of the tackle in the endzone.

He said that he was pretty proud of the way his troops sustained. The Hawks hooked up for two huge plays on their final possession in the fourth quarter.

The Hawks marched 70 yards in two plays. Tyler



Wood scored on a final play touchdown pass, from quarterback Andrew Elia. Dana Flatman added a two point conversion to make the score 15-14.

Inside receiver Andrew Murray ran for the other touchdown in the first half off a nifty flanker reverse.

"We outscored them in the second half and overall we played a pretty good game," said Yake. He said wind played a factor, but added that it affected both teams. Wood powered a pretty effective running attack and quarterback Andrew Elia also had a respectable day throwing the ball, a pretty remarkable factor considering his youth and the swirling winds.

"The first half was not good offensively for us, we had some trouble throwing the ball, but we got our ground game going and that helped," said Yake. "This was a very green team at the start of the season and we're pretty impressed with the way they've improved."

Both senior and junior squads travel to Adam Scott today (Oct. 11). Next week the Hawks will host Holy Cross at Red Hawk Field. That will be a showcase event and the doubleheader kicks-off at 1 pm. ■



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Moments in time

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On Oct. 9, 1934, the St. Louis Cardinals defeat the Detroit Tigers in the seventh game of the World Series. The Cardinals' "Gashouse Gang" nickname had to do with the team's close resemblance to the rowdy, dirt-streaked thugs who hung around the Gashouse District on Manhattan's East Side.

On Oct. 10, 1845, the United States Naval Academy opens in Annapolis, Md., as the Naval School. The school officially became the U.S. Naval Academy in 1850, when a new curriculum went into effect, requiring midshipmen to study at the academy for four years and to train aboard ships each summer.

On Oct. 11, 1950, the Federal Communications Commission issues CBS the first license to broadcast color television. However, RCA contested the license and a restraining order was issued. Despite this setback, CBS did broadcast the first color TV program in June 1951.

On Oct. 12, 1945, PFC Desmond T. Doss of Lynchburg, Va., is presented the Congressional Medal of Honor for outstanding bravery, the first conscientious objector to receive the award. Doss, an Army medic, put his life in peril during the battle for Okinawa, saving dozens of lives.

On Oct. 13, 1941, singer-songwriter Paul Simon is born on this day in Newark, N.J. Simon grew up in Forest Hills, N.Y., where he befriended Art Garfunkel in the sixth grade. The two began singing together, and by the time they were 16 they had released a single, "Hey, Schoolgirl," recording as Tom and Jerry.



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The Municipality of Highlands East has served us with notice that the "Medical Centre in Wilberforce will no longer be available for the Haliburton Family Medical Centre to use".

We are required to vacate the premises no later than November 5th, 2008 so if you need an appointment after that date you will need to book in Haliburton.

If you have an appointment booked with any of the other Allied Health Professionals that also see patients at the Wilberforce Medical Centre, please call them directly.

It has been a pleasure to have served you in Wilberforce over the past 26 years.

The Physicians and Staff of the Haliburton Family Medical Centre

Improving Accessibility at Haliburton and Minden Hospitals



Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Provides Financial Assistance for Construction Project

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) is in the midst of completing a project that will provide a barrier free environment to all entrance and exit points at the Haliburton and Minden sites.

HHHS is replacing ramps and curbs to make the facilities more accessible. The contract was awarded to John Sims Concrete Construction from Lindsay and is funded under the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund (HIRF) provided to the HHHS by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

The Ministry established the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund in 1999 to assist hospitals in renewing their facilities. Over the last few years, HHHS has used this funding for such projects as improving the facility water system, installing a boiler, chiller and generator and renovating both emergency departments to improve safety and privacy for patients.

HHHS received a total of \$253,307 HIRF funding in 2007/08. ■

Got News?
Call 457-5001



Help Wanted



**HALIBURTON
FAMILY MEDICAL
CENTRE**

RN REQUIRED

Please Fax, Mail or E-Mail Resume to:

P.O Box 870
Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0
Fax (705)457-3955
email: carole@candlelight.ca

Help Wanted

Point in Time
Centre for Children, Youth and Parents

Therapist/Counsellor

Our Children's Mental Health team has a full or part-time positions for a well experienced therapist. S/he should be knowledgeable about working in a rural area and being part of a team that brings a variety of approaches to counselling, including group work and community education. An MSW (or relevant degree) plus several years experience working with children, adolescents and families is required.

Please forward resume by October 16, 2008 to Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents, Box 1306, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0, Fax 705-457-3492 email hr@pointintime.ca

Point in Time
Centre for Children, Youth and Parents

Classification:

EARLY INTERVENTIONIST

Permanent Full, Part-time and Contract positions available

POSITION PURPOSE

Under the direction of the Supervisor, Early Intervention Services, plans, develops and implements support plans for infants and young children with special needs and their families.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Diploma in ECE and a post diploma Resource Teacher Certificate, or the equivalent education.
- Two (2) years experience working with infants & young children with special needs (birth to school age)
- Please check our website at www.pointintime.ca for full description of position

Send resumes and cover letters to Human Resources, Box 1306, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0, fax 705-457-3492 or email to hr@pointintime.ca. Closing date is October 16, 2008 by 4:00 p.m

Death Notice

Vilora (Lolly) Annette Pawson (nee Sutton)

Lolly passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 1st, 2008 at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden at the age of 86.

Beloved wife for 65 years of Trevor Pawson. Much loved mother of Ross (Carolyn), Carole (Robert Wallace), and Trevor (Kirsti). Predeceased by her beloved son Paul. Cherished nanny of Tracie, Lisa, Nicole, Kent, Alexandra, Andrea, Jon and great-nanny of Trevor, Paul, Timothy, Jackson, Cayden, Maggie and Landon. She will be fondly remembered by her brother-in-law Hugh and her many nieces and nephews.

Lolly was born in Hamilton in 1922, where she attended school. She was a secretary at White Canadian Aircraft (1940- 1943) where she met her husband. The family moved to Agincourt in 1960 where she was active as a volunteer with the Canadian Cancer Society and the CNIB. Lolly has cottaged at Boshkung Lake since 1941, where she enjoyed many summers with her children and grandchildren.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Monday, October 6, 2008 from 11:00 am until the time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel at 1:00 pm. Interment St. Stephen's Cemetery, Boshkung.

Memorial donations to the Hyland Crest Residents Council would be appreciated by the family.

Wedding

Congratulations & Love



To Liane & Richard Simmons who were married in Pickering, Ont on Saturday, September 20, 2008.

In June Liane graduated from U of T with a Masters Degree in Social Work and is currently working in Cobourg, Ontario.

Help Wanted

Full Time Sales Position

County Voice.ca

The County Voice is seeking a full time sales rep for the newspaper. Must be outgoing and have own vehicle. Salary plus commission. A great opportunity with a fast growing company. Incentive bonus opportunities as well.

Call 457-5001 to schedule interview. Or send resume to Box 98, Haliburton Ont. K0M 1S0. Or fax 457-5004. Or drop in at our office at Lower Level Stedman's Mall in Haliburton.

Help Wanted

County Voice *Easy to Read* Classifieds

Deadline for Classifieds is every Monday at noon

Pets & Agriculture

ARE YOU A GOLDEN RETRIEVER BELIEVER? Golden Rescue, The Canadian Golden Retriever Adoption Service Inc. URGENTLY needs foster homes, vet services, "forever" homes, donations, members, fundraisers/volunteers. Help us care for this magnificent breed. Anything you can do would be greatly appreciated. For information please contact us at 1-866-712-8444 or visit www.golden-rescue.net. P.S. Join us on Monday, June 23rd for our annual golf tournament. Not only are we looking for players, we need hole sponsors and donations to our raffle and silent auction. TFN

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Personals

PERSONALS The Magic of Making Up A Magic Love Recipe TeaseArticles.com/love October b 08

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Wanted to rent

WANTED TO RENT-Artist needs studio space 150 - 200 sq.ft. with good light. Located in the Village of Haliburton. Has references. Call Terry 705-457-2047 October b 08

For Rent

FOR RENT- 3 Bedroom house \$700.00 per month plus utilities (oil f/a) at Donald. Call 705-457-2560. October b 08

FOR RENT Cozy 2 bedroom house in Minden, recently renovated \$650.00 per month plus utilities. References required. Available immediately. Call 705-488-2613 October d 08

For Rent

FOR RENT-Large 4 bedroom house in town of Haliburton. Close to lake, stores and schools. Recently renovated. \$950.00 per month plus utilities. References required. Available immediately. Call 705-488-2613 October d 08

FOR RENT- 2 bedroom, furnished, house. Waterfront in West Guilford. NO PETS. Employment references required. Call 705-457-7475. October b 08

Yard sale

YARD SALE- DON'T MISS THANKSGIVING WEEKEND Sat. 8-4, Sun. 8-2; 1138 Ilman Road. Watch for signs. Great stuff you won't be disappointed both days. October b 08

YARD SALE-Thanksgiving Weekend - Antiques-cast iron bed. Bamboo table w/4 chairs & glass top. Tools, 4 wheel- wheel barrel, children's toys, mirrors, microwave, perennials, movies, DVD's, clothes & much more. Saturday 8 - 4pm 319 Highland Street, Haliburton October a 08

For Sale

FOR SALE- Kid's white metal frame Bunk Beds with mattresses, sheet sets, safety rail and ladder included. \$400.00 Firm - Beds can come apart for 2 singles. Xplorenet Satellite Dish for high speed access in remote areas. (reg. \$800.00) \$400.00 obo. Blue Cast Iron Oil Stove and Outdoor Oil Tank. Compact attractive stove suitable for any room. Can be connected to a chimney using either a top or rear connection. Excellent working condition, no electrical supply needed. \$500.00 obo Call 705-457-1509. October B 08

FOR SALE- Black Are hard tonneau cover, fits 1988-1998 short box GMC pickup \$550.00.. 1994 White Pontiac Grand Am running little ruff 294,000km \$650.00 obo on both items. Call 705-754-3625 October c 08

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FOR SALE- Woodworking tools Call 705-457-3692 to view. October b 08

For Sale

FOR SALE- Schellenberg Buy & Sell. 5691 Gelert Road, Donald. (705) 457-2560. 36" and 48" vanities- \$150 and \$200. Graded 70 chain, 20 ft. lengths with hooks- \$50. Hunter orange rain coats- \$20. Poker tables- \$200. All sizes of tarps. TFN

FOR SALE- Dry firewood for sale at Dunloe Farm- West Guilford. Phone (705) 754-3034. Delivery available. December d 08

FOR SALE- 2001 Honda 4 Wheeler. 350 cc's. Great shape. \$5000 o.b.o. (705) 447-3319 TFN

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ARTICLES WANTED Old or Antique used furniture, one piece or whole estates bought plus clean-up of everything also cars, trucks, boats trailers if the price is right I will make you a deal on anything call Richard in Tory Hill at 448-3920. Clean up of scrap cars or metal as well. TFN

Services

SERVICES- Hart's Spay, Neuter Incentive Program, "SNIP" is again taking applications for subsidized spay/neuter of your cat or dog. Call HART at 705-448-9997, to apply. \$50./cat incl. vaccines - \$75./dog including vaccines. This assistance Program is for financially challenged families only. HART..part of the solution to regional animal welfare. Help stop the endless stream of homelessness and despair. October b 08

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SERVICES- THE WILD OUTDOORS formerly CC Enterprises. 163 Highland Street, Haliburton. Automotive, Snowmobile, ATV, Marine Parts & Accessories. Complete line of Hunting, Archery, Fishing tackle, Paintball, Soft Air Guns & Accessories, Live Bait & Licensing. Open 7 days a week. (705) 457- 5334 TFN

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Thank you

THANK YOU- Further to the recent disappearance of our newly adopted Samoyed "Dan" and numerous announcements over the airwaves and by work-of-mouth, we'd like to offer a huge thank you to all who called to report sightings, which lead to the eventual return of this wandering pet, eight days after his disappearance. Special thanks to CanoeFM for their assistance, to the breeder. Our neighbours, friends & the community in general for the concern expressed which is truly appreciated. Sharon Burden & Nathan Petrini-Wigamog Rd. October b 08

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saw it
in the
Voice!!*

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USED CARS, TRUCKS, VANS & more!

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02 Ram 2500 5.9l gas Reg cab 8' box 125,000km "Myers"
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2004 Chev Ventura 7 passenger 91,000km under \$6,000
2003 Caravan 7 passenger Blue only 36,000km under \$10,000
200 Caravan 7 passenger Inferno Red 131,000km \$5,995
200 Caravan Sport 3.8 V6 only 92,000km \$4,900

TRUCKS

2005 F150 4x4 4 door lariat leather roof 71,700km under \$19,000
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\$197,500

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Well appointed 3 bdrm all brick bungalow, finished basement, detached garage, sun room. All within walking distance to school, Churches, Arena, Community Centre and downtown. For more info logo onto www.HomeSellcanada.com. Enter Code 4131. Call 705-286-6420 for appointment.

**Classifieds... 457-5001
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The winner of the pumpkin guessing game was Margaret Zahn, who was only off by one pound of its actual weight of 942 lbs, with her guess of 941 lbs. For her close guess, Zahn received a \$200 voucher to spend at local area businesses.

About 100 turkeys were also given away through draws at each participating Haliburton business.

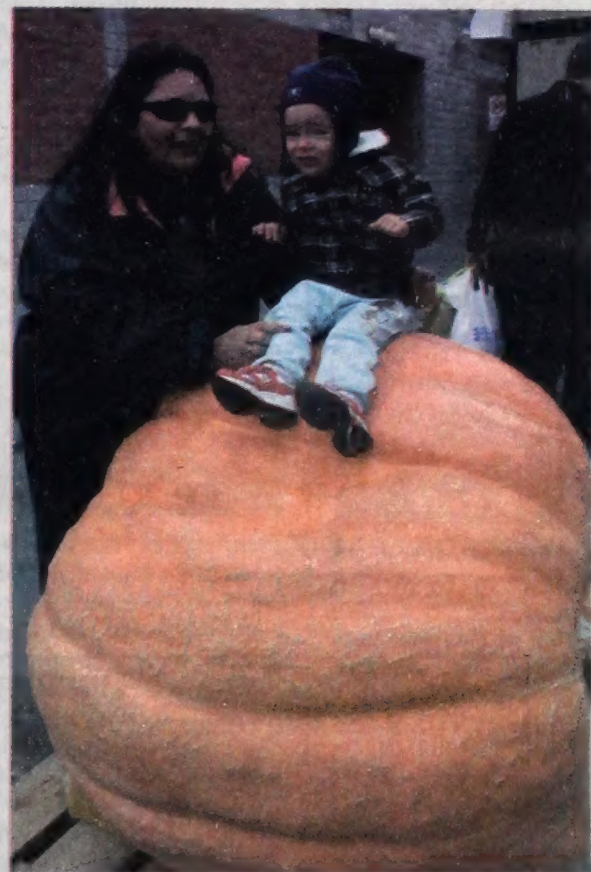
The Fall Festival was organized by a group of local merchants who formed a committee in an effort to promote local businesses. Throughout the festival, businesses were encouraged to decorate their storefronts with scarecrows and other festive pieces. A scarecrow contest was held on Sept. 19 that brought out the true creativity of the community.

Organizer Mary McKee says that next year's event will be "even bigger and better." ■

Getting Haliburton in the Festive Fall Spirit

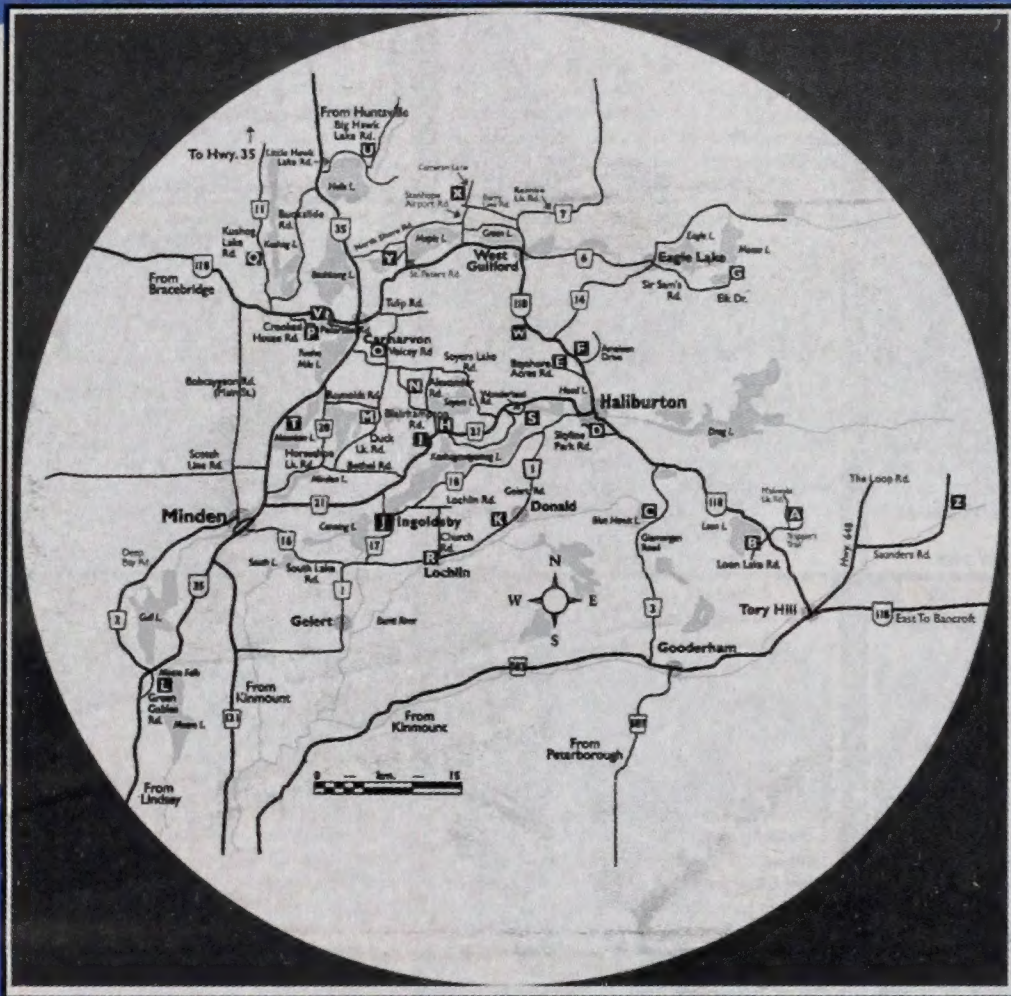


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 OCTOBER 4TH & 5TH
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Come visit our studios while enjoying the autumn colours of the Highlands.

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A whole new look in this redesigned 3 BR home with his/her garage, ensuite bath, newer kitchen, circular drive on a cul de sac, walking distance to town.

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This lot will fit a nice size bungalow. Close to all amenities. Bobcaygeon Rd. past school on the left. Good land! Must go on the land to appreciate!

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3 BR on level lot. 275 feet frontage on quiet lake limited to electric motors. Sand beach. Cathedral ceiling, hardwood floors, walkout deck. Pine "Haliburton" room.

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3 BR home on 2.68 acres of peace & quiet, only 10 min. to Minden or 15 min. to Haliburton. Updated washroom and newer laminate floor throughout.

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Gorgeous property on 37+ acres backing onto thousands of acres of crown land. 3 BR, + 2 BR guest house, large barn workshop, many upgrades.

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Charming backsplit cottage on terraced landscaped lot with S. exp. 3 BR & bunkie. Maintenance-free exterior & updated interior. Large deck. Sand shoreline.

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This turnkey cottage sits close to the water's edge on half an acre. Completely updated with large deck, big lake view, and dock. A great way to start Cottage Life!

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Boshkung Lake Chain



Charming 3 BR fully winterized and very cozy. On 3 lake chain with south exp. Large lakeside deck, rec room with franklin stove. New furnace.

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Prime waterfront on one of Haliburton's most desired lakes. 3 BR, open concept, on the edge of the lake. 100 ft of sand beach, west exposure.

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Privacy, level lot, southern exp., sand beach, 3-lake chain. 1024 sq ft 4-season cottage with wrap-around decking, central vac, furnished. Garage & shed.

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3 BR bungalow with 8 x 16 bunkie, overlooking 15 acre pond very private 2.5 acre lot just min to Haliburton Village.

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Mark Dennys 457-2128

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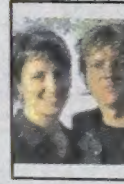
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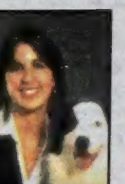
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